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## Election aftermath



I'm writing this piece before the election; you'll read it after we find out who won.

If President Barack Obama won, I will be neither happy nor sad. On the plus side, I will feel that a good person will lead us through 2016. Obama is a caring and loving person who wants all Americans to do well and is willing to structure our system in ways designed to help make that happen.

While I share his desire to help all Americans, I worry about how he will go about doing it. Jack Kennedy said, "Ask not what your country can do for you." Does Obama believe that?

While many Republicans portray Obama as a socialist, I do not believe this is the case. I believe that most Americans want personal responsibility to play a key role in the delivery of social services. Should there be a price to pay in health care, including pre-existing conditions for irresponsible behavior (i.e. smoking, drinking, drug use, gross obesity)? As we move toward a "grand bargain," we can't afford for there not to be.

If the president has won, I will be nervous about America's economic future. While I will cheer for success for whomever has won this election, something significant must be done to get this economy moving. If we haven't seen that big thing in the first four years, why would we believe that we would see it in the next four years?

While the president says he wants things made in America, what is his plan to make that happen? He talks about a tax code to encourage manufacturing in the U.S., but how would that work? (For that matter, what is Gov. Mitt Romney's plan?)

However, if Obama lost, I will be saddened. He has been a near perfect role model for how to conduct your life. He is kind, smart, has a wonderful family dynamic, cares about all Americans, cares about citizens around the world.

I can't say that Romney has convinced me that he has those same traits. Smart? Yes. Excellent family dynamic? Yes. Kind? The jury is out. Cares about all Americans and citizens of the world? The jury is out. Romney may turn out to be a jerk, but he may have the business skills necessary to put America back on track, which, in the end, may be the best thing a president can do.



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## Hurricane scam-age

The damage from Hurricane Sandy has been widespread, but the physical damage isn't the only issue for residents to be worried about. New Hampshire Director of Homeland Security and Emergency Management Christopher Pope warned property owners in the Granite State to be wary of scams. "Unfortunately, scam operators quickly move in after disasters to prey on people when they are most vulnerable," Pope said in a statement. "We urge everyone to avoid giving out personal or financial information to people they don't know and to only deal with reputable, licensed contractors."

Pope offered advice to property owners who have suffered storm damage. Ask for identification from anyone who claims to represent FEMA, state agencies, voluntary agencies or insurance companies. State and federal disaster officials work in teams and always carry identification, according to a Homeland Security press release. Insurance policy holders should contact their agent to verify the identity of insurance adjusters. Seek several written bids from contractors and check references. Make sure contractors are licensed in New Hampshire to do the necessary work and that they carry general liability and worker's comp insurance. Only agree to have work done based on written contracts. Avoid dealing with anyone who demands payment in cash or to be paid in advance. Don't give cash to anyone who claims to be collecting for hurricane relief. Make contributions by check through established voluntary agencies. Anyone with questions or complaints should call the Consumer Protection Bureau of the New Hampshire Attorney General's Office at 271-3646 or the state Insurance Department at 800-852-3416.

## In other news...

• **State will replace food stamp purchases lost due to Sandy:** Many homes in New Hampshire lost food due to power outages and damage from Hurricane Sandy. The state Department of Health and Human Services announced that it is replacing



Work crews spent much of last week restoring power. Photo courtesy Public Service of New Hampshire.

Food Stamp benefits to clients affected by widespread power outages last week, according to DHHS. "People receiving food stamps on October 29, 2012, who have lost food due to power outages may have their benefits replaced in an amount that is equal to their loss of food," said Terry Smith, director of DHHS's Division of Family Assistance. "To replace benefits, we will require a signed affidavit and some sort of proof that the client lives in an area that lost power." Recipients may not receive a replacement amount any larger than their October issuance of food stamps.

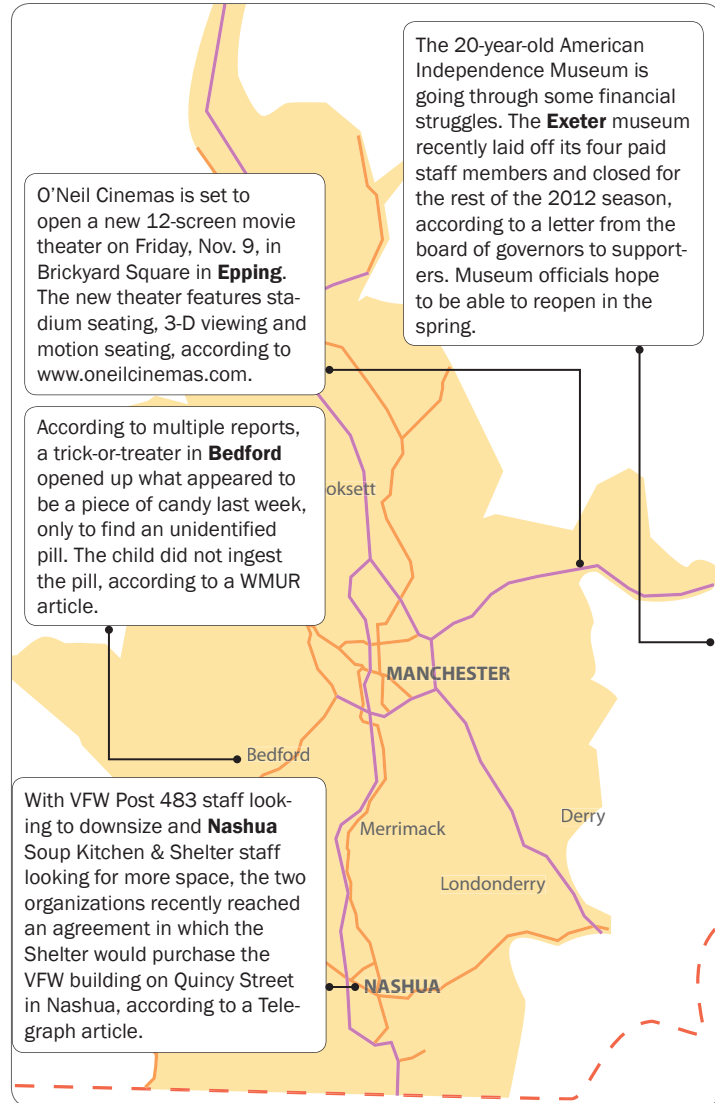
• **Medicaid expansion study rescheduled:** The state Department of Health and Human Services held off on releasing its Medicaid expansion study last week because of Hurricane Sandy. The plan had been to release the first phase of the study Friday, Nov. 2, but instead, the briefing will take place on Thursday, Nov. 15, at 2 p.m. at the DHHS' Brown Building, 129 Pleasant St., Concord. States have the option to expand their Medicaid coverage to individuals with incomes that are less than 138 percent of the federal poverty level. The report will detail the number of residents who would be eligible for coverage under the expansion, as well as associated costs to the state. The second phase of the analysis was expected to be completed by the end of the year and would address the impact the expansion would have on the state economy, state budget and commercial insurance market.

• **All together, now: Drop and give me 20:** From 3 to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 7, after-school sites across New Hampshire, like

YMCA programs and on-site after-school programs, were expected to be playing the same physical activity games in unison. Since 2008, the Foundation for Healthy Communities has spread the after school fitness and nutrition curriculum CATCH Kids

Club to 108 afterschool sites in New Hampshire. This week, it was time to celebrate by playing games like See Ya Later, Alligator and Dragon Tails at all the CATCH sites, including the 21st Century Extended Day Program at the Crisp Elementary School in Nashua and Penacook Community Center.

• **State revenue beats projections:** The news continues to be good on the state revenue front, as October revenue figures showed the state brought in nearly \$9 million more than was projected. The gains were led by business taxes, which were ahead of projections by \$4.2 million, and tobacco and real estate transfer taxes, which outgained projections by \$1.9 million. "This month's revenues show that New Hampshire is headed in the right direction," said House Speaker William O'Brien, R-Mont Vernon, in a statement. "The strength in business taxes and real estate transfers is a positive sign for the economy. Furthermore, the fact that tobacco taxes came in nearly \$2 million ahead of projections, despite the fact that other 'sin taxes' were below projections demonstrates that our decision to repeal the last of the four tobacco



tax increases was the right one."

• **Painting company sued for violating labor laws:** The U.S. Department of Labor recently filed a lawsuit against Kevin Coriveau Painting Inc. of Nashua for alleged violations of the federal Fair Labor Standard Act's minimum wage, overtime and record-keeping provisions. The department is alleging the company did not compensate some employees for all hours worked and did not pay proper overtime rates, according to a Department of Labor press release. The

department also alleged that the company's pay rate amounted to less than the federal minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour for several employees. The company also allegedly failed to create and maintain records of worker wages, work hours and other employment conditions. The Wage and Hour division of the Department of Labor has investigated the company on several previous occasions for similar violations, said Daniel Cronin, the Division's assistant district director in Manchester, in a statement. ☁

## BEST WEEK



### MANCHESTER MARATHON

Following Hurricane Sandy, Staten Island was ravaged and power remained out in large sections of New York City. Mayor Michael Bloomberg decided to cancel the New York City Marathon that was scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 4. Many of those expected 47,000 runners searched for an alternative, and about 600 chose the Manchester Marathon, the same day. About 2,500 runners ran the marathon, the most ever, according to reports.

## WORST WEEK



### MANCHESTER MONARCHS

The Monarchs, the minor-league affiliate of the Los Angeles Kings, opened their season on Friday, Nov. 2, with a 3-0 loss to the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins, and followed that up with a 1-0 loss to the Worcester Sharks on Sunday, Nov. 4. The Monarchs will look to right the ship on Wednesday, Nov. 7, against the St. John's IceCaps.



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# High school changes on horizon

## Hooksett takes another step toward leaving Manchester

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The ball appears to really be rolling now. How far it ultimately rolls? Stay tuned.

The Hooksett School Board has authorized the town counsel and Superintendent Dr. Charles Littlefield to enter into negotiations with school officials in Manchester for an early exit from the high school contract. Hooksett sends most of its high school students to Manchester Central High School, but parents and school officials have become increasingly concerned with overcrowding issues in Manchester.

At the beginning of the school year, controversy raged in Manchester and Hooksett, as some high school classrooms were exceeding 40 students. Manchester Superintendent Thomas Brennan has been able to hire enough teachers and juggle enough classes to get numbers under 40 at the high school level, but it appears somewhat unlikely administration will be able to get sizes under 30 this year. There were also issues with the number of textbooks and desks, though those have been addressed.

That has led many in Hooksett to consider claiming a breach of contract. To do that, Hooksett officials would need to send Manchester a letter claiming the breach. Then, Manchester would have 180 days to comply with the contract. If they were to comply, great. If not, Hooksett could pull out of the contract without penalty. It's only that simple in theory, though. The state Board of Education would have to rule that Manchester was in breach, and there would be an appeals process. The school board did send Manchester a letter earlier this year, but it didn't officially claim breach; it only

cited concerns.

"We wanted to make an attempt to negotiate in good faith with Manchester to bring the contract to an end in a way that's beneficial to all parties," said Hooksett school board member



David Pearl. "We wanted to resist sending a letter declaring a breach. ... This action, however, does not mean that we don't think they are in breach. But we thought it might be better to sit down and talk about it and to come to some kind of an agreement."

Hooksett still owes Manchester millions of dollars in capital money as part of the contract agreement, which is tied to school renovations in Manchester several years ago. When Bedford built its own high school and pulled its students out of Manchester West High School, the community paid about \$10 million to Manchester to clear its debt pertaining to those same renovations. With a tuition rate of \$8,300 per student, the Manchester school district would lose nearly \$4.6 million if Hooksett pulled all its students out.

If an agreement is reached, the agreement would be added to the Hooksett town warrant to be voted on in March by residents. In that way, whether the town goes forward with pulling out would be up to residents, not the school board, Pearl said.

"There are advantages to us to have this end earlier rather than later," Pearl said.

If Hooksett were to claim breach, even if the ultimate decision went Hooksett's way, it might not be until May, which would be too late to make the change for the com-

ing fall. By entering into negotiations now, Pearl is hoping residents can make the call to continue with Manchester or to pull out in March. To do that, an agreement would have to be reached in mid-January, which is when the community would file warrant articles. If the call is made to pull out, that timeline would potentially allow for Hooksett to have its students ready to go to another district by the beginning of the next school year.

The school board authorized the attorney and the superintendent to negotiate an agreement, but they haven't put any terms on that agreement. Pearl said the attorney and the superintendent understand citizens' concerns in Hooksett and they understand any decision needs to be made in the best interest of the students. Pinkerton Academy keeps coming up as a potential landing spot for Hooksett's roughly 550 students, but the Hooksett district hasn't begun any official talks with Pinkerton.

If an agreement can't be reached, the school board would be ready to exercise its right to file for a breach and to continue that process.

Pearl acknowledged that while many people who speak at school board meetings are in favor of pulling out of Manchester, there are a lot of other folks in the community who have supported Manchester schools for a long time who aren't so sure about the decision.

The Hooksett School Board is expected to meet with the Manchester School Committee on Thursday, Nov. 15, though the location hasn't been finalized yet. ☁

# Crews were ready for power problems

## In face of storms, utilities focus on communication

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An ice storm in December 2008 left thousands unexpectedly powerless. Hurricane Irene swept through the region last year, leaving people powerless once again. A surprise Halloween snowstorm last year caused colossal damage to the region. And now, this year, Hurricane Sandy pummeled New Hampshire and the region.

With a regular barrage of major storms, utility companies have been forced to be more prepared and to find ways to disseminate information more quickly. Some of the storms of the past few years

provided warning, with weathermen tracking and plotting potential courses for hurricanes. Others, like the Halloween storm last year, gave little warning. Public Service of New Hampshire, the state's largest utility company, benefited from Hurricane Sandy's advance warning in the form of lots of media attention. That companies and customers had time to prepare for the storm helped make a bad situation better.

"We're very pleased with where we are this afternoon," said Michael Skelton, a PSNH spokesman, on Thursday, Nov. 1. PSNH's restoration was complete as of Friday, Nov. 2, as the company restored power to 137,000 customers in

three days. "This was a very significant weather event that caused extensive damage, not only to our customers but to the entire Northeast region and the eastern seaboard."

As of last week, it was too early to know the full damage estimates from the storm, but halfway through restoration efforts, Skelton said damage had already exceeded \$10 million for PSNH.

By Wednesday, Oct. 31, Unitil had restored power to its remaining powerless customers in New Hampshire and had closed its emergency operations center. At the peak, 41,100 Unitil customers were without power. Liberty Utilities had also completed the brunt of its restora-

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tion effort, which involved about 10,000 New Hampshire customers, on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

Following the December ice storm in 2008, customers went days without power and had little way of knowing how long they'd be without power. Power companies relied on phone calls, e-mail updates, and social media updates, including Facebook and Twitter. Companies also posted outage maps, so customers could see where the problems areas were. Some companies posted estimates for when power would be restored.

During Hurricane Irene, 125,000 PSNH customers lost power.

"[Hurricane Sandy] was larger and there was more damage, more customers without power, and we restored power faster than that storm," Skelton said.

With 8 million customers from Maryland to Maine impacted by the storm, there was a huge strain on crew resources.

Utility companies are constantly monitoring any storm situation. In this case, the entire eastern coast of the U.S. was watching Sandy. Skelton said PSNH sent out news releases every day from the Wednesday prior to Sandy reaching New Hampshire, all the way through impact. The alerts asked people to be prepared.

"Ultimately, a very big part of ensuring a successful restoration is not only that we're prepared but that customers are prepared," Skelton said. "So we tried to get the word out early."

Every employee at PSNH had a storm assignment. Employees canceled vacations to make sure all hands were on deck. The company requested additional crew resources, which came in the form of utility crews from places like Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas, Skelton said.

"The reason we got that help was because we made the request early on," Skelton said.

PSNH assigned a communications liaison to every community that was impacted by the storm. That liaison was a single point of contact for emergency officials and municipal officials.

"One thing that that we've learned is that communications is critical and that customers and emergency officials and municipal leaders need information in order to effectively do their jobs....," Skelton said.

"That's something that has developed over the last few years," Skelton said. He guessed municipal officials appreciated having the liaison in place, but with restoration efforts still ongoing last week, the company hadn't fully assessed the effectiveness of the liaison program. "We have gotten great feedback from municipal officials who think the system is the right way to do it. It benefits us because



Power companies have been responding regularly to widespread power outages in recent years. Photo courtesy Public Service of New Hampshire.

we're getting good information. And it benefits them because they've got that single point of contact."

PSNH also activated its emergency response operation in each of its work centers prior to the storm's arrival. Crews responded early to those centers, so that as soon as conditions allowed for a response, crews were ready to go, Skelton said.

It seems as though people are becoming more accustomed to these types of storms and subsequent power outages. Certainly, there were still plenty of angry customers who went days without power, but PSNH says they're taking steps to improve responses.

"I think the extra attention, and the media attention prior, not only assisted us in terms of preparation but also in ensuring ... that the message got out," Skelton said. "People are genuinely more tuned in. They weren't surprised. They heard it could be a very serious storm. ... You prepare for the worst and hope for the best."

"I think people learn from the experience," Skelton added.

PSNH has promoted being prepared for outages at all times. PSNH staff communicate general safety concerns related to the season or a particular storm or situation, while also producing a number of videos and messages on social media that staff pump out to their customer base, Skelton said. Leading up to Hurricane Sandy in New Hampshire, PSNH called every customer asking them to prepare for outages.

"We wanted to communicate with our customer base as much as possible, so they could take the steps they needed to be prepared," Skelton said. 🌧️



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# A quest to tell a story

Wobar children's book 46 years in the making

Hippo readers know Henry Homeyer as the Gardening Guy. Homeyer, who lives in Cornish Flat, writes a weekly gardening column and has published three gardening books. A few weeks ago, Homeyer published his first children's book, *Wobar and the Quest for the Magic Calumet*.

**Q:** [Homeyer touched on how the book was a 46-year project.]

In the summer of 1966 I was a sophomore in college. I was working for a summer recreation program, and on my first day ... I was playing with 50 to 75 kids. ... I was tired, so I told them we could sit down under a tree and I'd tell them a story. ... I made up a fictional character. I don't know what part of my brain it came from, but I came up with a boy named Wobar ... who was found on a doorstep. ... he was born with a mustache. ... He was always picked on because he was different. ... So Wobar runs away up into the mountains and he meets a cougar. ... he is able to speak to animals ... and he makes friends with the cougar, and they go on a quest for a magical peace pipe that can end all wars. ... I told the story probably three afternoons per week and I'd always leave the kids at a cliffhanger, so they'd want to come back and hear more the next day.

[Parents told Homeyer he had to turn the story into a book.]

I just thought, "Yeah, yeah, maybe some day. But I'm busy now." ... So in 1982, after spending 10 years in Africa — I'd gone off to see the world as a young man. I joined the Peace Corps. ... I didn't know a thing about how to sell a book. This was the pre-computer age. I had a manuscript ... and I shipped it off to the biggest publishing house of children's books at the time. ... I literally didn't want to go away from the house thinking they would be calling. Three months later, I got a message about how it didn't quite fit their list. ... I ended up putting it in a drawer and forgetting about it. Then about 10 years later I took it out and worked on it some more. ... In 1999 I got serious about it. I went to a writer workshop on the West Coast. ... And last year I sold it to Bunker Hill Publishing.

[Homeyer had some family help.]

The illustrator is Joshua Yunger, who is my stepson. ... He went to the Art Institute of Chicago. He's a professional artist now. As a child, Wobar was the first chapter book he read. He'd be the first to tell you, he had trouble with words. He was more of an arts person, not a words person. When he got to Wobar, he said he couldn't put it down. ... He did drawings for it when he was 9 or 10 years old, and now, 25 years later, he did the official work. [Yunger also wrote and illustrated a children's book called *Hippo and Monkey*.]



Courtesy photo.

**How much has the story changed since you first told it?**

That's hard for me to know. I imagine it changed quite a bit. The characters remained the same. They traveled and went on a quest. Certainly, I was influenced by Huck Finn and Tom Sawyer going down the Mississippi. ... The book isn't like Tom Sawyer at all, but they did steal a boat to try to get away. ... They hop a freight train ... I have hopped trains myself, so I could add authentic details.

**What was your favorite part about the whole process?**

I think the most exciting thing for me is that my boy Josh got to illustrate it. ... It's really worth a Caldecott award [given annually by the Association for Library Service to Children for illustration]. They are fabulous illustrations. ... Josh's participation has made this so much more rich for me and so much more wonderful. It makes my soul feel good.

**What ages is the book written for?**

Third-graders can read the book. It's got 40 chapters, and each chapter has one illustration. The chapters are relatively short, about 1,000 words each.

**What's the response been so far?**

It's been out two weeks or so. I have seen two reviews and they both were positive. I am doing a lot of book signings and readings in Vermont and New Hampshire.

**Would you try another children's book at some point?**

If this version of Wobar is a big success, then I would definitely consider writing a sequel. Frankly, I think it could be a nice movie. ... There is a clause about movie rights [in the contract with the publisher]. I think it would be perfect for Spielberg to work with — there are so many cliffhangers. It's such a fast-paced adventure. — Jeff Mucciarone

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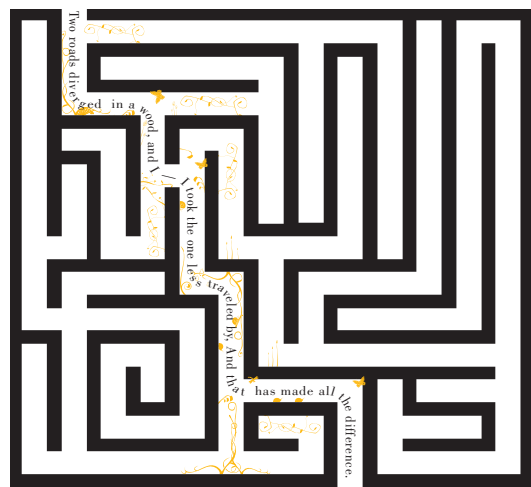
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## Free beer! Actually, no.

The Portsmouth Brewery has planned to offer a free beer to over-21 voters who came to the brewery with an "I Voted" sticker on Election Day. But federal election law trumped that promotion. "Due to federal election law, we are no longer offering a free pint..." according to a statement on the brewery's Facebook page on Election Day. "We're very sorry for any inconvenience or disappointment, but we only found out late [on Monday, Nov. 5]." The brewery still planned to air returns on election night.

**QOL score: -2**

**Comment:** What's QOL going to do with all the "I Voted" stickers QOL collected?

## Manchester's still running

This year's Manchester City Marathon had a record 2,500 participants, including some who traveled here from New York after that city's marathon, also scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 4, was canceled in the wake of Hurricane Sandy. The men's and women's winners, Ben Payne and Muliye Gurma, were two of those. Payne, a 31-year-old captain of the U.S. Air Force who is scheduled to deploy to Afghanistan on Wednesday, according to the article, drove a rental car from New York to Manchester on Saturday, just before the 7 p.m. deadline to register.

**QOL score: +1**

**Comment:** On Saturday, organizers were working to accommodate 500 additional runners who raced to Manchester after New York cancelled its marathon, according to WMUR.

## Trails connected

The Concord Conservation Committee and its trails committee have long had the goal of creating a trail to link three farms on the west side of Concord, and Saturday, Nov. 3, marked the completion of the links to create a seven-mile path. The new trail will be known as the "West End Farm Trail," starting at the bike path off Silk Farm Road and continuing north through miles of woods, past the vistas of Dimond Hill Farm's fields, through Rossvie Farm and ending at the orchards at Carter Hill Orchard's hilltop site, according to a press release.

**QOL score: +1**

**Comment:** This trail will be fantastic for hikers, runners, cross-country skiers and mountain bikers, who will enjoy the challenge of a longer trail.

## Winter and cars don't go well together

The town of Merrimack is reminding residents, via the town website, that winter parking and snow removal ordinances take effect Thursday, Nov. 15. Merrimack isn't alone; it's winter parking ban time. During the winter, motorists typically can't park on roadways overnight, and not at all during "snow emergencies."

**QOL score: -1**

**Comment:** Weren't we supposed to have hovercraft and jetpacks by now?

**QOL score: 74**

**Net change: -1**

**QOL this week: 73**

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## Time to hand out the Patriots mid-year report card

It is the midway point of the NFL season, and with the Patriots 5-3, it looks like the folks predicting they'd go 16-0 aren't gonna be right. And while their 45-7 win over the Rams in London sent many into the bye week feeling good about the team, in many ways it has been a surprising, even unsettling season to date.

The first half included a stunning loss in the home opener to Arizona when the air seemed to go out of the place when **Aaron Hernandez** went down with what turned out to be "just" a high ankle sprain. It also saw them under .500 for the first time since 2003 when a loss to the Ravens followed the one to the Cardinals a week earlier. On the upside, the offense put on an incredible display against the Bills, when after going down 21-7 in the third quarter and looking very flat, they rebounded to score an astonishing 45 points in 22 minutes for a runaway 52-28 win.

After beating **Peyton Manning** in his first visit to Foxboro with the Broncos, another loss followed, to **Pete Carroll** and Seattle, when they blew a 10-point lead in the final quarter. They did it again the next week against the reeling Jets, but got off the hook with a great drive in the final minute that led to a tying field goal and then a win in overtime. Then came the aforementioned pummeling of St. Louis in what was their most complete game of the year.

That brings us up to date, so it's time to hand out mid-year grades and look ahead to what lies ahead in the second half.

**The Offense: B.** In leading the league in points and total yards per game, with 32.7 and 440, and on pace to get the most first downs ever, the numbers are great, but the consistency isn't. A gigantic penalty by **Gronk** cost them the Arizona game when **Danny Woodhead's** game-winning TD run

was called back. They blew big leads vs. Baltimore and Seattle to lose and almost did it vs. Denver and the Jets. On the good side, it's much more balanced as **Stevan Ridley** is on pace to become just the fourth Patriots runner to reach 1,400 yards, they've managed to overcome a big injury to Hernandez, and vs. Buffalo and the Rams they controlled the ball in a way that demoralizes an opponent. And, oh yeah, the acrobatic **Brandon Lloyd** surpassed the 2011 contribution of **Chad Ocho Johnson** midway through the first half of Game 1.

**The Defense: The Front Seven: B.** In allowing 88 rushing yards a game — only **Ray Rice** (101) reached 100 on them and they held **Chris Johnson** to 4 yards, **CJ Spiller** to 33 and **Marshawn Lynch** to 41 — they're tough to run on. **Brandon Spikes** has become a thumper, and **Vince Wilfork** is solid as usual. The only complaint is the pass rush, which has 17 sacks after getting 40 a year ago, and that factors into the issue the secondary has had.

**The Defense: The Secondary: F.** Don't want to beat a dead horse, but they've given up more 20-plus-yard plays than anyone in football and are on pace to top last year in that category, which is mind-boggling.

**The Special Teams: B+.** Steve Gostkowski didn't get it done vs. Arizona with a kick farther to the left than **Nancy Pelosi**. But special teams basically won the Jets game as, while he did almost give it back with a huge fumble, **Devin McCourty** ran a kick to the house, **Zoltan the Magnificent** pinned them inside the 10-yard line 3 times and Gostkowski redeemed himself by tying it with no time left and winning it in OT. On the whole, the coverage has been good, as both kickers have done their job.

**The Coaching: C+.** The first question is whose lame-brained idea was it to phase out **Wes Welker**? The head coach, offensive coordinator **Josh McDaniels** or the GM

who's ticked off that he's having to pay Welker \$9 million instead of the below-market two-year deal they tried to shove down his throat? Because despite having limited target in the first 2 games and only going back to him because Hernandez went down, he still was tied for the league in receptions and second in yards going to the break. Earth to whoever: The guy is indispensable to the offense.

Beyond that, it seemed like they were overthinking the offense for most of the first half, the defense is rarely creative in finding ways to get to the QB, and it doesn't look like the staff is coaching up the secondary, does it? But after a rough pre-season, **Dante Scarnecchia** has done a tremendous job pulling the offensive line into shape to the point that I haven't heard **Brian Waters** mentioned in more than a month after a near panic set in.

**The Second Half:** The 16-0 crowd is not going to like this, but, with dramatically improved Indy up in 2 weeks, the Jets on the road, a game in Miami against the tougher than expected Dolphins and home games with the 49ers and Texans ahead, a 5-3 second half isn't out of the realm of possibility, especially if they don't fix the secondary.

But the comforting thing about that is this: The sign of good coaching is that your team gets better as the season progresses and is playing best entering the playoffs. That's what happened the last two years as it reloaded with young guys on D after up-and-down first halves. And with Coach B in charge, I expect that will probably happen again.

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## Sports Glossary

**Joe and Dom DiMaggio:** Baseball-playing duo brothers from San Francisco, not the SNHU soccer-related pair from Rome, N.Y. Big brother Joe was the star of stars in baseball in the '30s and '40s, playing for the Yanks when he won three MVPs and when his team won all 10 of its World Series appearances when he was their leader. Dom was the bespectacled little brother, when that was considered a weakness, who batted lead-off for the Sox and hit .298 over 11 big-league seasons. While Joe got the ink and the respect for his great play in center, most say that even though Joe had the rep, Dom was the best centerfielder of his era.

**Brian Waters:** The right guard whose absence the sky-is-falling members of Patriot Nation (which included me) obsessed over all through the summer camp into Week 1. But, thanks to the work of **Ryan Wendell** at center, kick returner/guard **Dan Connolly** was able to move into that spot, quieting the worrywarts to the point that the still Waters isn't running here anymore.

**Zoltan the Magnificent:** Romanian-born Patriots punter with a name only a magician could love. The 42.0 average is ranked just 30th, but he's giving up just 5 yards a return, has put 18 inside the 20, which is third-best in the NFL, has just 1 touchback and has never given up a return for a TD in 145 career punts.

**Chad Ocho Johnson:** The defrocked wide receiver formerly known as **Chad Javon Johnson** and then formerly known as **Chad Ocho Cinco**. He's now back to **Chad Ocho Johnson** and in serious contention with **Kim Kardashian** for a place in Ripley's Believe It or Not bible for the shortest marriage in history after his July 4 nuptials went south before Labor Day. Spent 10 years in the NFL with the Bengals (mostly good) and Patriots (all bad) before not making it out of camp with the Dolphins in a disastrous three-week span that included arrest for an alleged assault on his wife, being cut by Miami, loss of a reality show, the divorce and getting dumped by his prime sponsor.

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# No Payne no gain at Manchester Marathon

**The Big Story:** The salute of the week goes to Air Force captain **Ben (no) Payne (no gain)** for winning Sunday's Manchester Marathon less than a week before he was to be deployed to Afghanistan. He covered the new course in 2 hours, 24 minutes and 43 seconds on a day when he and many others were supposed to be competing in the New York City Marathon; he'd elected to head north to Manchester when the NYC event was cancelled due to incredible damage Hurricane Sandy did to the five boroughs that race goes through. The winner on the women's side was Ethiopian **Muliye Gurmu**, who hit the tape at 2:55:16.

**Sports 101:** Who holds the record for the most errors by an outfielder in major-league history?

**Repeat That, Please:** Make it back-to-back titles for the Central boys, who won the second consecutive Division I soccer title with a 2-1 win over Hanover on Sunday. In a game that was moved to Ball field in Exeter after SNHU needed theirs for a women's playoff contest, the Green jumped out to a 1-0 lead and then got the game-winner by **Alex Carignan** to make it 2-0 before a late Hanover goal made it white-knuckle time before the Green held on to win a state title again.

**5-0 Game of the Week:** Following the

theme of the previous story, five goals is an outrageous number for a playoff game, which happened when SNHU smoked Southern Connecticut in the NE-10 playoffs on Wednesday. One of the goals came from Bedford's **Sam Kelly** and all-name teamer **Dom DiMaggio** looked like his slick fielding Red Sox centerfield namesake — his father is named, that's right, Joe — in turning away six shots to get the shutout.

**Hot-Ticket Event:** It's the upcoming 1 baseball dinner on Nov. 17, where a lucky fisherman can win a four-day, three-night fishing excursion with **Chris Carpenter** to the Malbaie River Lodge in Gaspé, Quebec. It includes lodging, food, guided trips and the opportunity to fish for Atlantic salmon with the Cy Young winner for the winner and a guest. Check out the F-Cats website for more details and ticket info.

**On This Date - Nov. 8: 1950** After hitting .322 with 34 homers and 144 RBI, Red Sox first baseman **Walt Dropo** is named Rookie of Year. **1966** Orioles **Frank Robinson** unanimous choice as AL MVP. **1966** President **Lyndon Johnson** signs anti-trust immunity for the NFL after its merger with the AFL allowing it to act as a business cartel. **Sports 101 Answer:** The great **Ty Cobb** committed 271 outfield errors during his career.

## The Numbers

**1** – number of goals needed for the Central boys to get an intense 1-0 win over undefeated Bedford that came off a header from **Samuel Binogno** to send them to their fourth consecutive Division Final.

**3** – goals from **Emily Crocetti** in a losing effort when Bedford eliminated Londonderry from NHIAA Soccer playoffs with a 4-3 win that sent them to the division I final

behind two goals from **Jessica Joseph** and one from **Johana Celli** and **Jeanette Mara**.

**6** – completions in 7 attempts by Trinity QB **Carmen Giampetruzzi** when he threw for a buck 15 in leading the Pioneers to 20-13 comeback win over Windham that puts Trinity in the Division IV State Final Game on Saturday vs. Plymouth.

**9** – how-can-it-be-that-many seasons already for

Concord alum **Matt Bonner**, who started his sixth season with the Spurs, where he was a part of their NBA title team in 2007-08.

**50** – points scored by the Central football team in a 50-6 win over Salem on Friday that sends the Little Green to a Division I semifinal match-up with Nashua South next week. **Troy Pelletier** had a big day with 4 catches for 100 yards and 2 TDs. 🐾

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Ryan Hagerty photo.

I’ve had a moose problem.

Even after spending a lot of time hiking, sightseeing, fishing, and standing around in places where moose should have been, I had never seen one.

Once, while driving to Bartlett from western Massachusetts, I stopped every time I saw a clearing, a water body of any kind, including anything that looked swampy. There were a lot of places like that along the way. No moose, though. It didn’t seem right.

Another time, while visiting the White Mountains, I went for a short evening hike at a small pond whose name I can no longer remember. As I hiked, I came upon several people sitting along the trail at various spots. Finally, I asked one such person what the heck they were doing.

“Oh, a moose comes through here every evening. I’m hoping to get some good photos. Oh yeah, the same moose comes by every evening, same time.”

I got some more input and found my own spot and I waited. I watched for moose with a lot of intensity. I waited until it was dark. I waited until the other moose watchers gave up. No moose.

A friend once was riding a four-wheeler on a trail and, well what do you know, he almost ran into a moose. He wasn’t even trying to see one. I was trying. So that’s when I decided moose were but a figment of the imagination. Nope, they didn’t exist.

Until I finally saw one. It was probably the least satisfactory moose sighting in history. It happened in Maine, somewhere in the central part of the state. I’d been warned to keep my eyes peeled, that we were in moose country. Well, we were. I got a good look at a moose rump, enough of a look to be convinced that, yes, it was a moose, and yes, they do exist. But no antlers and just a fleeting glimpse. I was in a car load of people, people who all seemed to get a better view of the moose than I did.

Somebody even said, after the moose trotted off the roadway, that there was another moose just off the road. I missed that one.

So while I concede that moose are real, not fairy tale creatures, they remain elusive, at least to me.

**They’re out there**

To most of New Hampshire, moose are hardly elusive. The massive moose, weigh-

**Safety concerns**

Moose aren’t tame. They aren’t particularly friendly. And they can be downright mean.

If you do see a moose, keep your distance, Rines said. Moose don’t provide much warning before charging.

“People have a tendency to think that moose are big, tame, gentle beasts because they don’t have a strong flight response like white-tailed deer,” said Kristine Rines, a biologist with Fish and Game. “They don’t have one because in the wild, their best response to wolves is to stand their ground. They aren’t going to run away. ... But they will chase you down and stomp on you until you stop moving.”

Rines said cows with calves are just as dangerous as grizzly bears. They have been known to kill other predators, such as wolves or bears, as well as people, in defense of their calves. “People would do themselves a big favor to give moose a wide berth and to use a telephoto lens if you’ve got one,” Rines said.

Moose grow antlers — only male or bull moose grow antlers — from March or April to August or September. Moose drop their antlers in November, according to Fish and Game. Antlers are impressive to look at, but they are weapons, with males fighting each other with them.

“And bulls in the rut are just a tad aggressive,” Rines quipped.



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ing about 1,000 pounds — 40 pounds of which is antlers that can measure nearly 70 inches across — calls just about all of New Hampshire home, but particularly the state’s northern regions.

Moose have turned up in people’s backyards. They will congregate along the sides of roads during winter months, lapping up salt from the roadway. Anywhere there is a clear cut, don’t be surprised to see a moose.

But with warmer winters lately, winter ticks are causing major issues for the state’s moose population. “We know the population is down about 40 percent, largely due to winter tick infestations caused by very warm winters,” said Eric Orff, a wildlife biologist and former Fish and Game employee in New Hampshire.

For moose hunting season, which just concluded, the state issued just 275 permits this year. Five years ago, the state issued 675 permits. Orff said the number of permits reflects how the moose population is doing. The population has dropped from 7,000 animals to about 5,000 during

the same time period. “Moose are being hit hard, and consequently hunters are having less opportunity,” Orff said. Kristine Rines, who coordinates the state’s moose management program, acknowledged the state has seen a decline in the number of moose, but she isn’t sounding the alarm too loudly. “We still have plenty of moose,” Rines said.

It’s not easy being a moose

It’s not only that warm winters allow for winter ticks to thrive; it’s also that warmer temperatures throughout the year affect moose. Moose are cold-weather animals. They don’t feed when it’s warmer than 79 degrees. During the spring this year, when moose were giving birth, it was 80 degrees. That’s too hot for moose at that time of year, Orff said.

“It’s possible cows might not be feeding properly,” Orff said. “That might have impacted calves this spring.” If cows aren’t feeding, calves might not be getting the nourishment they need, leading to the possibility that calves won’t survive or won’t be healthy. Orff is also concerned that if moose aren’t eating enough they’ll have fewer calves.

On average, moose live for 10 to 12 years, though some will live as long as 20 years. Calves are born in late spring at about 20 to 25 pounds, and by fall, calves will weigh between 300 and 400 pounds, according to Fish and Game.

Orff is worried that the warm winters we’ve had are more than just a few years of anomalies. He’s worried that climate change is altering winters, and subsequently moose populations, for the long term in the Northeast.

“Long-term temperatures are up 4 degrees on average,” Orff said. “We just had a record warm summer.... Those statistics stack up against the moose.”

As moose populations drop, winter tick populations will drop as well, lessening the threat. But by then, the damage may have been done, officials say.

New Hampshire is not alone. In Minnesota, officials have seen moose populations drop by nearly 90 percent in the last two decades. The ticks are the main culprit.

Ticks cause problems for moose when the number of days with snow cover in the winter decreases. Moose regularly carry thousands of ticks, but ticks typically drop off moose in the spring. If they fall into snow cover, ticks die. If they fall into bare ground, they can reproduce easily and more rapidly.

Moose try to remove winter ticks by scratching and licking, which removes hair and ultimately leads to secondary infections and other complications. A single



Karen Laubenstein photo.

moose can carry 10,000 to 120,000 ticks, according to Fish and Game.

“In this day and age, there are much higher deer densities than we’re used to,” Rines said. “Deer carry a lot of parasites that are inimical to moose but don’t bother deer. As deer populations rise — and warming winters would help that — you may see a corresponding decline in moose.” Moose are impacted by brain worm, a parasite carried by deer.

In Alaska and areas of Canada, moose, particularly young moose, would face predation by wolves. While some are speculating that wolves are returning to New Hampshire or will soon, they certainly haven’t returned in numbers that would impact moose.

Black bears have become effective predators of very young moose calves, 12 weeks or younger, particularly in areas with greater moose densities, Rines said.

“Black bears have taken a good healthy proportion of those, but not to an extent that would cause moose populations any serious problems,” Rines said. “Coyotes would take a calf if they stumbled across one, but unlike black bears, they don’t specifically hunt for them.”

Home throughout New Hampshire

Moose have their own comeback story in New Hampshire. Before Europeans arrived on this continent, moose outnumbered deer and stretched their range from Canada to the seacoast. According to Fish and Game, by the mid-1800s fewer than 15 moose lived in the Granite State, and it wasn’t until the 1970s that they began to bounce back.

Moose densities are much greater in the state’s north country today, with moose

thriving in the cooler climate. Because moose live there in such great numbers, the threat of ticks is greatest in those areas.

Rines said moose populations in the southeastern and southwestern regions of the state are fairly stable. Moose in those areas appear healthy. The lower moose density means biologists also see fewer winter ticks and other parasites.

“Right now the population seems to be holding its own,” Rines said.

In some of the northern regions in the state, people wanted to reduce the moose population, with concerns arising over motor vehicle-moose collisions, as well as with concerns surrounding moose over-browsing of tree saplings, a favorite moose food source. People were worried moose were preventing some areas of forest from growing back, thus impacting logging operations and paper mill production.

“Take a look and enjoy,” Rines said. “There aren’t many states in the union that have moose. They’re a northern species and they don’t do well at all in the heat. They have a fairly limited distribution across North America, and people in New Hampshire are kind of lucky to live in a state that has moose.”

Moose spotting

Phil Brown, director of land management for New Hampshire Audubon, was exploring a beaver marsh near his house in Hancock this past spring. He was walking around, checking out great blue heron nests in a swampy area. All of a sudden, he heard a rustling at the edge of the marsh. He looked up to see a moose stand up.

“Through my binoculars ... I was able to watch it slowly walking away,” Brown said. “I was a little too close for comfort

**Moose hunt**

The state managed six specific regions for moose: Connecticut Lakes, North, White Mountains, Central, Southwest and Southeast. The moose lottery is broken out into 22 smaller units. More than 13,400 people entered the moose hunt lottery. Hunters must enter the lottery for a chance to participate in the hunt. Entries are randomly drawn. The 2013 moose hunt lottery opens in late January and runs through May 31, 2013. Permits are tied to specific units and the number of permits for each region and unit are tied to moose population density. So, the smaller the moose population in a given unit, the fewer permits will be issued for that unit. Hunters who get a permit must hunt in the corresponding unit during the nine-day season. Each unit has its own moose population objective about every 10 years. “We adjust the permits so we’re constantly trying to stay close to that objective,” Rines said. This year 62 percent of hunters (174) took a moose. Last year 71 percent of hunters took a moose. According to Fish and Game, some hunters cut their hunts short with Hurricane Sandy bearing down on the region. Around the state this year, preliminary numbers show moose hunters having a 73% success rate in the Connecticut Lakes Region; 82% in the North Region; 64% in the White Mountain Region; 51% in the Central Region; 45% in the Southwest Region; and 35% in the Southeast Region. Visit [huntnh.com/Hunting/Hunt\\_species/hunt\\_moose.htm](http://huntnh.com/Hunting/Hunt_species/hunt_moose.htm).



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for it. It certainly could have gone the other way. They are definitely to be respected. They can be very threatening, especially males in the rut and females... when they have calves.”

Brown felt “a lot of excitement,” he said. “It’s the coolest thing to be able to see a moose walking in the woods...when you’re on the same playing field as the moose. I’m just thinking, ‘This thing is just really darn big. They’re so big and black. They just strike me as being so dark. It’s either a moose or a bear.”

Brown said he’s seen close to a dozen moose in southwestern New Hampshire, usually by chance. Brown, who said he is not a moose biologist, said it seems to him that the moose population could use a little help in southern New Hampshire.

“There’s not quite enough moose there,” Brown said. “That’s just my personal opinion.”

To find moose, it’s important to find the right habitat. Moose like open water marshes, particularly in the spring and summer. Moose will come to the roadside in the fall and winter to lick up road salt. At this time of year, regrowing clear cuts are absolutely the best place to see moose.

“They’re also really drawn to patches of young regenerating forest, hardwoods and balsam fir,” Brown said. “Basically a lot of hardwoods with many stems — the more stems the better.”

Moose need about 60 pounds a day of leaves and new woody growth, like buds, in order to stay healthy. Any place that provides that, look for moose, Rines said. People can spot moose at clear cuts that are about knee high to just under 10 feet tall.

Moose hunters can spend a lot of time outside, plotting moose, particularly in southern New Hampshire. Orff said they may spend a week or 10 days looking for moose before the hunting season starts. They’ll ask around communities, “Have

you seen moose?”

“By and large, the successful hunters, particularly in southern and central parts, spend a long time hunting for moose, and then a short time hunting for moose during the actual season,” said Orff, who spend more than a decade monitoring the moose check-in station in Durham. Hunters must check-in their kill at one of seven check-in stations statewide.

The same holds true for people looking to spot a moose in southern and central New Hampshire.

“The opportunity is there to see a moose, if you want to put the time in,” Orff said.

Signs

Moose leave plenty of evidence in their wake.

“I think people who really know the woods and know the landscape where they’re living in can really hone in based on signs that they leave and they’re knowledge of the habitat...” Brown said.

“They leave all sorts of signs,” Brown said. “Their tracks are enormous in the mud.”

Brown said moose scat is distinctive: large oval-shaped pellets. “Usually a big pile of them,” he said.

Moose also “bark” trees, which means they will peel the outer bark off trees like red maples and striped maples utilizing their lower teeth and their hard upper lip. Barking will leave vertical stripes on branches and the main stems of trees.

“That’s a pretty good sign that they’re using an area for a food source in between seasons,” Brown said of barking.

Moose browsing is also distinctive. People can spot the “browse line,” which is typically considerably higher on shrubs and saplings since moose are so tall. Brown said that’s something to look for.

“It wouldn’t be a deer if it’s browsing the tops of taller shrubs and saplings,” Brown said.

night and at dusk.

Moose are so tall, drivers are unlikely to pick up a moose’s eyes in their headlights, and their bodies can appear the same color as the road.

New Hampshire Audubon’s Phil Brown said he’s had some close calls on Route 9 particularly while driving home in the evenings.

“I’ve come so close to hitting one,” Brown said.

Not only are moose so tall that motorists often don’t pick up their eye shine, they are so dark that it’s difficult to make out the contrast between a moose’s body and the background. Brown said he has his high beams on whenever possible.

Brake for moose

Most drivers in New Hampshire have seen “Brake for Moose” signs.

About 250 moose die in automobile collisions each year in New Hampshire. A collision with a moose is bad news for the moose, but it’s also bad news for the driver and his car. Moose are massive animals and a collision can be fatal for the motorist, since the weight of a moose is probably going to fall on a car’s hood and windshield.

“When you’re driving, make sure you’re always on the lookout,” state official Kristine Rines said.

Scan the sides of roadways.

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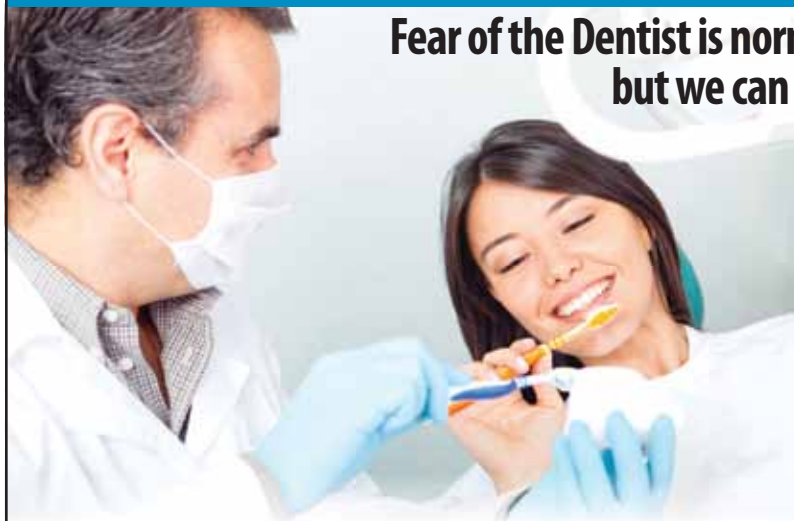
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### Where the moose are

New Hampshire doesn't have moose in the types of densities that places like Alaska do, but New Hampshire does have salt licks on the sides of roads where moose will congregate. People will stop to take a look.

"And they get frighteningly close to moose in those areas," Rines said. "It's amazing to me that nobody has been seriously hurt."

A couple of sanctuary volunteers have reported seeing moose in the Nye Meadow Sanctuary in Stoddard near Granite Lake, visible from Route 9 between Concord and Keene. Brown said he typically hears about sightings in that area at least a couple times of year.

"It tends to be a good spot," Brown said. "It's an open water marsh with a lot of shallow feeding areas where they can wade out into the water and feed on some of the emergent marsh vegetation in the spring and summer."

There is a parking area on the south side of Route 9 right near Granite Lake Road. Motorists should use caution; a moose was killed in a collision in that area earlier this fall.

"Unfortunately, it gets a lot of traffic and people go pretty fast through there," Brown said. "A bear was actually killed the same week in the same spot."

People also stand a fairly good chance of spotting a moose, or at least moose signs, such as tracks or scat, in the higher elevations in the Monadnock area. Brown suggested visiting the dePierrefeu-Willard Pond Wildlife Sanctuary in Antrim. Brown said he spots moose tracks regularly on the property, though he has never seen a moose there. Workers recently cut a big patch to allow species to regenerate and to create varying

habitat. Moose would probably be looking to munch on the regrowth in that area.

Rye Pond on Route 123 on the Nelson and Hancock town lines is another place people might stand a reasonable chance of spotting a moose. The pond is part of the Harris Center property.

The 1,000-acre Deering Wildlife Sanctuary contains good moose habitat as well. Brown said it has a mix of wetland habitat. Just last week, Brown said he spotted fresh moose barking on the property.

"I wouldn't say there are overwhelming signs, but they appear to be present in the area," Brown said.

The Chase Wildlife Sanctuary in Hopkinton is another place people could potentially spot moose, as well as wildlife in general. Brown figured that good moose habitat probably existed between Concord and Great Bay on the Seacoast.

"They don't know boundaries," Brown laughed. "They have wide ranges and they use a whole mix of habitats. "At any one time, it's impossible to say where one is going to be."

In my own personal quest to take in a reasonably good moose sighting, I will take Brown up on his suggestions. I will go to these places because other people have seen moose in those spots. I will drive carefully. I will scan the sides of roads. I will bring binoculars, and perhaps I'll come up empty.

But maybe, just maybe, I'll slowly approach a swamp, and a four-legged animal the size of a horse will raise its antler-shrouded head as water cascades off the antlers. Maybe it will look at me, just for a second, before it begins wading out of the swamp and into the woods. 🦌

### Moose for dinner

Denny Corriveau, also known as the Wild-Cheff, acknowledges that moose meat or any type of game meat can carry a stigma. Some people think the meat tastes "gamey" or that its flavor is just too strong. But to Corriveau ([www.wildcheff.com](http://www.wildcheff.com)), if handled properly and cooked correctly, moose is fantastic eating.

"Moose typically, really any wild game ... is much different than a farm-raised animal," Corriveau said, adding there is no such thing as farm-raised moose, so the only way to get it is wild.

When it comes to different cuts of moose meat, it's no different than a cow. There is stew meat, steaks, roasts and loins, even scraps to be turned into burger.

"The loin and the backstrap can be sliced into beautiful steaks..." said Corriveau, who founded the New England School of Fish and Game.

If people have had a bad experience with venison or moose meat, it's most likely

due to one or two things: the meat wasn't processed properly or it was overcooked, Corriveau said. For people who haven't tried moose, Corriveau said it's like a more dense-flavored beef.

"It's certainly not going to taste like beef. It's going to taste like moose," Corriveau laughed. "But not in a bad way, in a very good way."

Corriveau likes to take wild game meat, including moose, and turn it into a version of the Italian dish braciola. Traditionally, Italians would take thin slices of beef and roll the meat with mixtures of cheeses, other meats and fresh herbs, and then fry them. "I do mine a whole other way," Corriveau said. "I make all kinds of cool stuffings and I stuff the [moose] steaks with vegetable stuffings, cheese stuffings, even bread-related stuffings." He said he makes versions of braciola with all different varieties of wild game.





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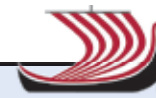
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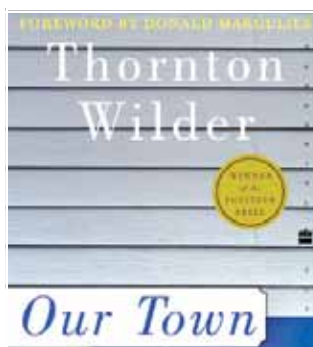


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## Saturday, Nov. 10

It's Not Your Grandma's Craft Fair at McDonough Elementary School (550 Lowell St., Manchester). Parking is free; browse goods from more than 60 artists while watching demos and enjoying live music, plus snacks for sale. Call 624-6373 or visit [notyourgrandmascraftfair.org](http://notyourgrandmascraftfair.org) for a list of vendors, which include Washed Ashore Designs, Sharp Objects, Kast Hill Studio, Paper Taxi, Pixel Fusion and Amherst Quilt Company. Pictured: A watch from Girls' Night Out Designs.



## Sunday, Nov. 11

Catch the final performance of *Our Town*, Thornton Wilder's 1938 Pulitzer-winning play, by the Pinkerton Players at the Stockbridge Theatre (44 N. Main St., Derry, [stockbridge-theatre.com](http://stockbridge-theatre.com)) at 2 p.m. Call 437-5210. Tickets are \$8 (\$6 for students and seniors). Performances are also scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 8, Friday, Nov. 9, and Saturday, Nov. 10, at 7 p.m.



## Tuesday, Nov. 13

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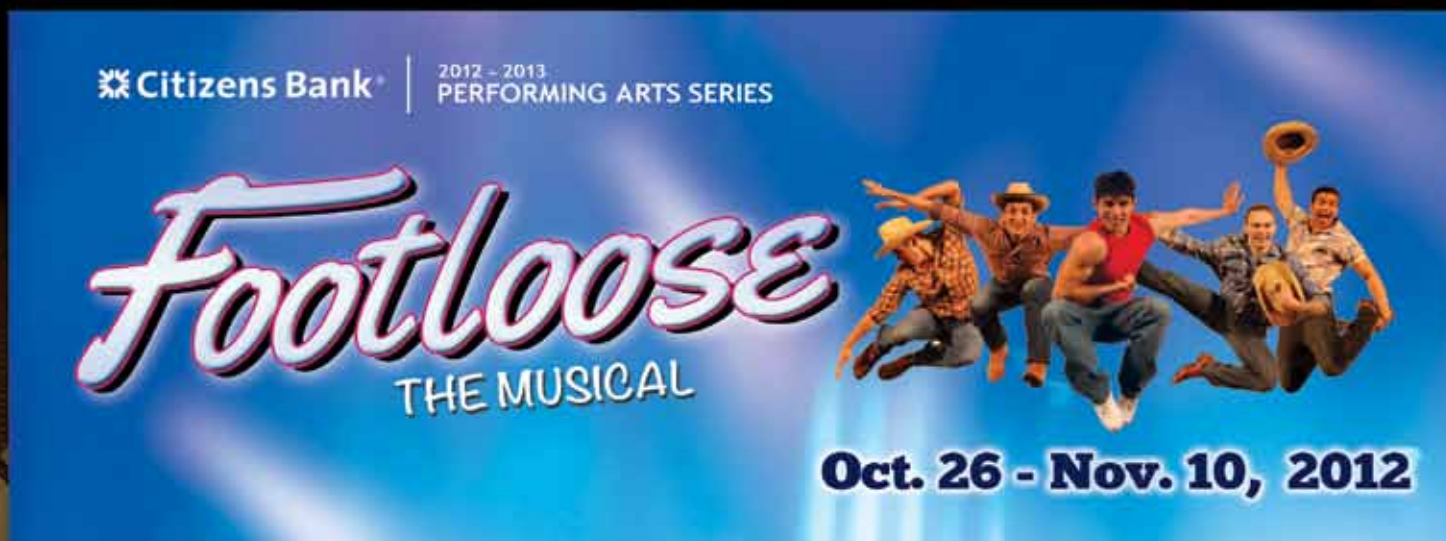
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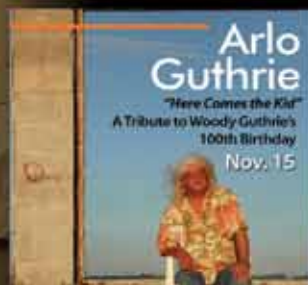
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## The Laramie Project: all too real

Abbey Players speak for Shepard's community

By Kelly Sennott  
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The characters are real. The lines are real. The people and places of Laramie, Wyo., whose images will be projected at the Dana Center for the Humanities during Saint Anselm Abbey Players' rendition of *The Laramie Project* are all very real.

To tell the story of the real-life murder of Matthew Shepard, these college players worked to get the smallest details as accurate as possible — from researching the accents of their characters to uncovering the real, court-held speeches.

None of the text has been cut; the production Nov. 9 through Nov. 11 will presented the play exactly as it was written by the Tectonic Theater Project in 2000. The group, based in New York City, traveled to Laramie one month after Shepard, a gay University of Wyoming student, was beaten and left tied to a fence on the outskirts of Laramie, only to die six days later. Tectonic Theater conducted more than 200 interviews, and took those conversations, word for word, to the stage.

This weekend, in this ensemble play, 16 young actors will portray more than 60 of those people who were interviewed, exploring the depths that humanity can sink to and the heights of compassion it's

capable of.

The show flows like a series of snapshots; the lines are placed together like a documentary. It's one of the most-produced plays in the country, said Saint Anselm English professor and play director Landis Magnuson.

"Father Roger Schmit [the parish priest of Laramie] warns [the interviewers from Tectonic Theater] twice in the production that you need to do your best to say it correct. We've taken this as our guiding light in the production," Magnuson said. "Everything we're attempting is to be true and honest to these various voices. ... It's hard not to be struck by the beauty of what an individual says."

Christopher Gillette was in the Saint Anselm playreading ensemble that chose *The Laramie Project* as a fall production.

"I'd never read anything like this play; the way it's set up, it's not like a traditional show. There are short moments, when you get glimpses of what each character is doing," Gillette said.

The students have gone to great lengths to tell the story accurately.

Actor Zach Camenker, for instance, a first-year member of the Abbey Players who was sporting a vibrant orange "freshman" T-shirt at the Halloween evening rehearsal, has worked tirelessly on one of the last scene of the play. He plays Dennis Shepard, Mat-

### The Laramie Project

**When:** Thursday, Nov. 8, at 7:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 9, at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 10, at 7:30 p.m.

**Where:** Dana Center for the Humanities, 100 Saint Anselm Drive, Manchester

**Tickets:** \$13 for adult reserved seating, \$11 for faculty, staff, alumni, senior citizens, college students and children under 14, \$6 for Saint Anselm College students

**Contact:** 641-7700, dana@anselm.edu, anselm.edu

After the Nov. 8 performance, the Saint Anselm College Core Council for Gay and Lesbian Students will hold a discussion based on the play and its messages, moderated by a panel of faculty, staff and students and centered around questions submitted by community members.

thew Shepard's father. Perhaps one of the most famous speeches of production is the address that Dennis Shepard makes in court during the trial of Aaron McKinney and Russell Henderson, both of whom were found guilty of the murder of his son.

The speech in the play is only part of what Dennis Shepard said in the courtroom that day. "There was actually a lot that was left out," Camenker said. "But finding the original helped me understand the speech better," and it helped



l to r: Zoey Zukowski, Zach Gregoric, Rachel Campoli, Zach Camenker, and Jake Hebert will perform in Saint Anselm's production of *The Laramie Project*.

him draw more from Dennis Shepard's character. It's evident when he stands alone on stage, looks at the audience and unfolds a piece of paper with his speech, that he's not taking this part lightly. This speech was the first that he worked on when he found out that he got this role, and you can hear his earnestness, in the pauses, in his hand gestures, in his voice.

The production also poses a challenge for these actors because of the number of characters they're bringing on stage. Gillette is constantly re-reading his lines backstage, between characters, in order to get them straight. He, too, has been working overtime to perfect his role, listening to recordings and watching YouTube videos to capture character.

Magnuson is constantly egging cast members to work toward the bigger picture, Gillette said, but letting these students find the way themselves. "He never says what he wants you to do; he wants you to come up with it yourself," Gillette said.

There was debate as to whether anything should be cut out of this 2.5-hour running show, Magnuson said. It's a long show; some productions have cut parts out.

But keeping all the lines, the characters, the words was important in sending the message, he said: "Who can decide whose voice can be silenced?"

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female, 16 or older, who loves to sing. The open rehearsals are for women who are interested in checking the chorus out, with auditions later on down the road. The competitive group has been around for 36 years (they placed second at the Sweet Adeline's International Convention and Competition, Region 1, last May), and is a "fun-loving group of ladies who like to have a great time," said Carol Ayotte, a member of the chorus.

• **Prescott Park pavilion on its way:** The Prescott Parks Arts Festival pavilion project in Portsmouth is on its way to completion. Federal Savings Bank pledged \$25,000 and Secure Planning Inc. \$16,000 toward the building project. This support will help with renovations to the pavilion, in the form of cleaner, more modern bathrooms, which organizers hope will result in smaller lines. This addition, coupled with the improvements to the kitchen area, will create a more pleasant experience for everyone at the park, said Prescott Park Executive Director Ben Anderson in a press release. Visit [prescottpark.org](http://prescottpark.org).

• **Arts in Early Learning Conference:** "How I Go from Here to There" is the subject of the Arts in Early Learning Center conference Saturday, Nov. 17, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Goddard School in Derry (12 Tsienneto Road). The conference is for early-childhood educators, librarians, teaching artists and child-care administrators. It introduces arts activities that will help children explore. It's hosted by folk musician Deborah Stuart; professional puppeteer, actor, musician and educator Will Cabell; movement educator Kelly Doremus Stuart, and theater artist Richard Moses. Registration is \$35. Visit [aannh.org](http://aannh.org) or call 323-7303 or email [info@aannh.org](mailto:info@aannh.org).

—Kelly Sennott

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• **FOOTLOOSE** at the Palace Theatre (80 Hanover St., Manchester) plays Thursdays through Sundays, through Sat., Nov. 10. Call 668-5588 or visit [palace-theatre.org](http://palace-theatre.org) for times. Tickets are \$15-\$45.

• **HEAVEN CAN WAIT** shows at Bedford Town Hall, 3 Meetinghouse Road, Bedford, on Fri., Nov. 9, at 8 p.m.; and Sat., Nov. 10, at 8 p.m.

• **THE LARAMIE PROJECT** presented by Saint Anselm College Abbey Players on Thurs., Nov. 8, Fri., Nov. 9, and Sat., Nov. 10, at 7:30 p.m. at the Dana Center for the Humanities (100 Saint Anselm Drive, Manchester, 641-7242). Reserved seating tickets are \$13, regular \$11. Visit [anselm.edu/dana](http://anselm.edu/dana).

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• **OUR TOWN** performed by Pinkerton Players at the Stockbridge Theatre, 44 N. Main St., Derry, [stockbridgetheatre.com](http://stockbridgetheatre.com), on Thurs., Nov. 8, at 7 p.m.; Fri., Nov. 9, at 7 p.m.; Sat., Nov. 10, at 7 p.m., and Sun., Nov. 11, at 2 p.m. Call 437-5210. Tickets are \$8 adults, \$6 for students and seniors.

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# Prints, glass and watercolor

Styles play off each other in dual show

By Kelly Sennott  
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Shandra McLane and Susan Wahlrab are “Breaking the Mold” at McGowan Fine Art in Concord. The two artists featured in the gallery’s latest show are paired together because, said gallery director Sarah Chaffee, their styles complement one another. McLane works with glass, Wahlrab with watercolor.

“I’ve carried Susan’s work for a number of years, and in this show we’re introducing Shandra. I think it’s fun to combine these two mediums, and I think there’s a relationship there between the two and their colors,” Chaffee said.

“Both of them have really started experimenting with their mediums,” Chaffee said, and both emphasize the use of layering to create magnificent paintings, vessels and panels.

The new exhibit opens Tuesday, Nov. 13.

## Shandra McLane

For the past six years, McLane has taken a bit of a break in the glass medium. She’s been raising a family and focusing on her printmaking.

But over the past year, she’s had more time — and a new kiln — to start creating something new. The vessels and panels she’ll show at McGowan Fine Art blend printmaking and glasswork together. Her kiln-formed glass vessels and high-temperature enamels, glitzed with geometric patterns,

alternating color palettes and complementary colors, are so eye-catching that even someone who doesn’t know art can appreciate the time and skill required to create them.

The bowls are pieced together like a puzzle; look closely and you can see that the interior design is distinct from the exterior design of the vessels. These designs are fused together as a single pane of glass, before the pane is placed atop a hollow form in a kiln for 30 hours, allowing it to “slump” in a bowl form. The corners are then cut off to complete the bowl, which is sandblasted to give the surface a matte finish.

“It’s all opaque glass; when you stack them together, you can see the pattern on the inside and the outside,” McLane said; this is most visible when light illuminates the glass, creating an interesting, design-overlap effect.

The vessels she created last year; the panels, last summer. McLane studied drawing and printmaking at the University of Southern California and studied at the Pilchuck School of Glass in Washington State.

She enjoys creating art this way because it offers a constant challenge; it ensures that she’s always evolving as an artist. “I think it gives me a lot of flexibility to design; I feel as if I’m constantly learning every corner I turn. I’m problem-solving as I’m creating my images, which I get a lot of satisfaction from ... I have a lot of mistakes,” she said, but some-



Bowl made from fused glass by Shandra McLane. Courtesy photo.

times these mistakes are beautiful.

Each bowl takes about a week to make and must go through three firings.

Very soon, visitors will be able to see McLane’s work in her own studio, which she’s working to renovate in Ashland. She hopes to open Squam Lake Studios in February.

## Susan Wahlrab

At first glance, you’d swear Wahlrab’s art is made from oil paints.

But take a closer look. Her use of mark-making and layering are what enable her to create bright, vibrant scenes of trees, rivers and the wilderness with a medley of watercolor paint and pencil on Ampersand claybord (clay surface mounted on hardboard). This use of materials allows her to do what typically is not done in watercolor — she creates layers, texture and depth in a medium that can often be limited.

Her technique shows off her



“In Color” by Susan Wahlrab, watercolor on claybord.

“breaking the rules” personality, she said.

The way she developed this technique helps tell her story as an artist; she studied printmaking as a graduate student at Rhode Island School of Design, finding skill in creating intricate washes through lithography, which is printmaking done with limestone.

“I became good at creating complex, layered prints,” she said.

Through her membership in the Experimental Etching studio in Boston, she was able to study printmaking at the Chinese University in Hong Kong. While she traveled, she documented her experiences, this time through watercolor. “I was throwing the

rules out and reinventing things here,” she said.

But it wasn’t until two and a half years ago that she was able to bring these media together by switching from paper to Ampersand claybord art panels. “It’s archival clay baked onto an archival hardboard,” she said. There’s less absorbency, and, “With claybord, I can dig into the surface. By the time I’m done with these, they have a luminous, layered texture,” Wahlrab said. She finishes them with varnish.

This technique requires some movement, back and forth, allowing paint to dry; the pieces take about a month to create. Her paintings intertwine rich, golden shades of yellows, reds, greens, blues, displaying streams of sunlight, rushing water and almost abstract swirls of images of the outdoors.

A resident of Vermont since 1992, she brings a contemplative, rustic landscape to most of her paintings. “Nature has a variety of color, texture, light, so much more than anything I could create in my mind. ... I like to use the landscape as a sense of place, a place for contemplation of energy and spirit,” Wahlrab said.

## “Breaking the Mold”

**Where:** McGowan Fine Art, 10 Hills Ave., Concord, 225-2515

**When:** The show runs Nov. 13 through Dec. 14, with an artist’s reception Friday, Nov. 16, from 5 to 7 p.m.

**SECRET GARDEN** on Thurs., Nov. 8, at the Paul Creative Arts Center’s Johnson Theatre (30 Academic Way, Durham) at 7 p.m. tickets are \$30. Visit unharts.com or call 862-7222.

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• **WAITING FOR GODOT** shows at West End Studio Theatre, 959 Islington St., Portsmouth, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m., Nov. 9-25. Tickets are \$24. Call 431-6644, ext. 5, or email [reservations@nhtheatreproject.org](mailto:reservations@nhtheatreproject.org).

• **MIDSUMMER NIGHT’S**

**DREAM** by Garrison Players theatre shows at the Garrison Players Arts Theatre (650 Portland Ave., Rollinsford, 750-4278, [garrison-players.org](http://garrison-players.org)) on Fri., Nov. 9, at 8 p.m.; Sat., Nov. 10, at 8 p.m.; Sun., Nov. 11, at 3 p.m.; Fri., Nov. 16, at 8 p.m.; and Sat., Nov. 17, at 8 p.m. Tickets \$12-\$18.

• **ANNIE** at the Edmund Keefe Auditorium (117 Elm St., Nashua) on Fri., Nov. 9, at 8 p.m.; Sat., Nov. 10, at 2 and 8 p.m.; and Sun., Nov. 11, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$20. Call 320-1870, visit [actorsingers.org](http://actorsingers.org).

• **DORKS IN DUNGEONS PLAYING DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS LIVE** will return to the Players’ Ring once a month for the rest of the mainstage season at

the Players’ Ring (105 Marcy St., Portsmouth, [playersring.org](http://playersring.org), 436-8123). Shows are Tues., Nov. 13, at 8 p.m.; and Sun., Dec. 30, at 8 p.m. Tickets \$12.

• **BLITHE SPIRIT** comic play on Wed., Nov. 14, at 3 p.m.; Thurs., Nov. 15, at 7 p.m.; Fri., Nov. 16, at 7 p.m.; and Sat., Nov. 17, at 7 p.m., at the Robert Baines Auditorium, 9 Notre Dame Ave., Manchester, [theateknights.com](http://theateknights.com).

• **GIRLS NIGHT: THE MUSICAL** on Thurs., Nov. 15, at 7:30 p.m., at the Capitol Center of the Arts, 44 S. Main St., Concord, 225-1111, [ccanh.com](http://ccanh.com). Tickets are \$40-\$52.

• **THE MAN WHO PLANTED TREES** shows at the Dana Center (100 St. Anselm Drive, Manches-

ter), St. Anselm College, on Fri., Nov. 16, at 7 p.m. Featuring Edinburgh, Scotland’s Puppet State Theatre. Visit [anselm.edu/dana](http://anselm.edu/dana) or call 641-7700. Tickets \$28.50.

• **THE PAJAMA GAME** shows at the Concord Auditorium (2 Prince St., Concord) on Fri., Nov. 16, at 8 p.m.; Sat., Nov. 17, at 8 p.m.; and Sun., Nov. 18, at 2 p.m., by Concord Community Players. Tickets \$17, \$14 for students/seniors. Visit [communityplayersofconcord.org](http://communityplayersofconcord.org). Call 224-4905.

• **STAGE ONE PRODUCTION DINNER THEATRE: TWICE AROUND THE PARK** on Fri., Nov. 16, at 7:30 p.m.; Sat., Nov. 17, at 7 p.m.; and Sun., Nov. 18, at 11:30 a.m., at the Chateau Restaurant and Event Center, 201

Hanover St., Manchester. Call 669-5511 for ticket prices.

• **SING ALONG SOUND OF MUSIC** shows on Fri., Nov. 16, at 7 p.m., at the Stockbridge Theatre, 44 N. Main St., Derry, [stockbridgetheatre.com](http://stockbridgetheatre.com). Tickets are \$15. Call 437-5210.

• **THE NUTCRACKER** presented by the New England Dance Ensemble on Sat., Nov. 24, at 7 p.m., and Sun., Nov. 25, at 2 p.m., at Windham High School Theatre, 64 London Bridge Road, Windham. Visit [NEDE.org](http://NEDE.org), tix.com or call 1-800-595-4TIX

• **GERALD CHARLES DICKENS** returns to Nashua for the fourth consecutive year to perform his great-great grandfather’s classic, *A Christmas Carol*, at the

Crowne Plaza (2 Somerset Parkway, Nashua) on Wed., Nov. 28, at 7 p.m., and Thurs., Nov. 29, at 7 p.m. Dinner performance scheduled for Nov. 28; Tickets are \$90 for Nov. 28, \$20 for Nov. 29. Call 882-3371 or 800-583-4583 or visit [fortingage.com](http://fortingage.com).

• **THE IMPROVISED SHAKESPEARE COMPANY** takes the stage on Wed., Nov. 28, at 7:30 p.m., at the Capitol Center for the Arts’ Spotlight Cafe (44 S. Main St., Concord). Tickets are \$25. Call 225-1111 or visit [ccanh.com](http://ccanh.com).

• **MARTHA SPEAKS** at the Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 766-2192) on Thurs., Nov. 29, at 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Tickets \$6 each. For grades K-4.



# FUNNY SHAKESPEARE



What do you get when you mix Shakespeare's *Comedy of Errors* and *As You Like It*? The Windham High School Company gets *Comedy As You Like It*, a production featuring pieces from two of Shakespeare's side-splitting plays. Think identical twins, young lovers, and a little bit of cross-dressing. The mystery unfolds on Friday, Nov. 9, at 7 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 10, at 7 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 11, at 2 p.m., at the Windham High School Theater (64 London Bridge Road, Windham). Tickets are \$8 (\$5 for seniors and students), available at the door.

• **THE EIGHT: REINDEER MONOLOGUES** by Jeff Goode on Fri., Nov. 30, at 8 p.m., and Sat., Dec. 1, at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., at The Acting Loft, 670 N. Commercial St., Manchester. Tickets \$15 at the door.

• **YOUTH REPERTORY COMPANY WINTER SHOWCASE** on Fri., Nov. 30, at 7 p.m., and Sat., Dec. 1, at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., at 959 Islington St., Portsmouth. Call 431-6644, ext. 5, or email [reservations@nhtheatreproject.org](mailto:reservations@nhtheatreproject.org). Scenes and monologues from some of Shakespeare's most famous works. Free.

• **MARTHA SPEAKS** on Mon., Dec. 3, at 10 a.m., at Stockbridge Theatre, 44 N. Main St., Derry, [stockbridgetheatre.com](http://stockbridgetheatre.com). Musical based on the book by Susan Meddaugh. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for students and seniors. Call 437-5210.

• **AS YOU LIKE IT** shows at Nashua North Auditorium (10 Chuck Druding Drive, Nashua) on Thurs., Dec. 6, Fri., Dec. 7, and Sat., Dec. 8, at 7 p.m. Tickets \$5 at the door.

• **IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE** at the Amato Center (56 Mont Vernon St., Milford) on Fri., Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m.; Sat., Dec. 8, at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; and Sun., Dec. 9, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$12.

• **THE NUTCRACKER** performed by St. Paul's School Ballet Company performs on Fri., Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m., and Sat., Dec. 8, at 7:30 p.m. at Memorial Hall, St. Paul's School, 325 Pleasant St., Concord, 229-5626. Admission free. Visit [sps.edu/dance](http://sps.edu/dance).

• **IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE** at Pontine West End Studio (959 Islington St., Portsmouth, [pontine.org](http://pontine.org), 436-6660) on Fri., Dec. 14, at 8 p.m.; Sat., Dec. 15, 4 and 8 p.m.; and Sunday, Dec. 16, at 2

p.m. Tickets are \$24.

• **AUTUMN PORTRAITS** at Pontine West End Studio (959 Islington St., Portsmouth, [pontine.org](http://pontine.org), 436-6660) on Fri., Feb. 8, at 8 p.m.; Sat., Feb. 9, at 4 and 8 p.m.; and Sun., Feb. 10, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$24.

• **ALEXANDER AND THE TERRIBLE, HORRIBLE, NO GOOD, VERY BAD DAY** on Thurs., March 7, at 10 a.m., at the Stockbridge Theatre, 44 N. Main St., Derry, [stockbridgetheatre.com](http://stockbridgetheatre.com). Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for students and seniors. Call 437-5210.

• **WALDEN** at Pontine West End Studio (959 Islington St., Portsmouth, [pontine.org](http://pontine.org), 436-6660) on Fri., March 8, at 8 p.m.; Sat., March 9, at 4 and 8 p.m.; and Sun., March 10, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$24.

• **GUESS HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU** at the Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 766-2192) on Tues., March 12, at 9:30 and 11:30 a.m., for kids K-3. Tickets \$6 each.

• **THE VELVETEEN RABBIT** on Tues., April 2, at the Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 766-2192), at 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. For kids pre-K to grade 4. Tickets \$6 each.

• **BILOXI BLUES** on Tues., April 9, at 7 p.m., at the Paul Creative Arts Center's Johnson Theatre (30 Academic Way, Durham). Comedy about young men going off to war. Tickets are \$30. Visit [unharts.com](http://unharts.com) or call 862-7222.

• **THE CIVIL WAR** on Tues., April 9, at the Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 766-2192), 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. For grades 3-8. Tickets \$6 each.

• **THE COMMON HEART** at Pontine West End Studio (959 Islington St., Portsmouth, [pontine.org](http://pontine.org), 436-6660) on Fri., April

26, at 8 p.m.; Sat., April 27, at 4 and 8 p.m.; and Sun., April 28, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$24.

• **IF YOU GIVE A MOUSE A COOKIE** on Thurs., May 16, at 10 a.m., at the Stockbridge Theatre, 44 N. Main St., Derry, [stockbridgetheatre.com](http://stockbridgetheatre.com). By TheatreworksUSA. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for students and seniors. Call 437-5210.

## Auditions/open calls

• **AUDITIONS** for the Leddy Center's March production of *The Man Who Came to Dinner* by George Kaufman on Sat., Nov. 17, at Leddy Center (38 Ladds Lane, Epping). Call Leddy Center Monday-Friday, 3-5 p.m., at 679-2781, to make an audition appt.

• **CALL FOR SINGERS** for Rhythm of New Hampshire Show Chorus, which is seeking female singers to join a cappella barbershop singing. Visit a Thursday rehearsal 6:45-9:15 p.m. at the Marion Gerrish Community Center (35 W. Broadway, Derry), call 800-696-7351 or visit [rnhchorus.org](http://rnhchorus.org).

• **CALLING MUSIC/CHO-REOGRAPHY DIRECTORS** to those interested in directing Nashua's Actorsingers' spring production of *Curtains*. Email cover letter and resume to [secretary@actorsingers.org](mailto:secretary@actorsingers.org).

## Workshops/other

• **NEW HAMPSHIRE THEATRE PROJECT CAST PARTY** on Thurs., Nov. 15, at 6 p.m., at 959 Islington St., Portsmouth. Annual fundraiser event; night of storytelling, theatre games, comedy improv, stage combat and song in order to raise money for NHTP. Email [reservations@nhtheatreproject.org](mailto:reservations@nhtheatreproject.org) or call 431-6644, ext. 5.

• **CLOWN AND MASK** workshop on Mondays, Nov. 19-Dec. 3, 5-6:30 p.m., at NH Theatre Project, 959 Islington St., Portsmouth, 431-6644, ext. 4, or email [info@nhtheatreproject.org](mailto:info@nhtheatreproject.org).

• **COMMUNITY DRUMMING** on the 2nd and 3rd Thursday of the month, 4:45-5:45 p.m., at Queen City Ballroom, 21 Dow St., 2nd floor, Manchester, 647-0622, [thevillagedrum@aol.com](mailto:thevillagedrum@aol.com). Class costs \$15.

• **SO YOU THINK YOU CAN'T TAP** for adults on Wednesdays, 8:15-9:15 p.m. at Actorsingers Hall, 219 Lake St., Nashua. Cost is \$30. Email [amyfriedman1@yahoo.com](mailto:amyfriedman1@yahoo.com).

• **NH THEATRE PROJECT** is holding workshops, classes, theater camps, a membership drive and more. Call 431-6644, or visit [nhtheatreproject.org](http://nhtheatreproject.org).

• **PLAYREADING CIRCLE** most second Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at Rodgers Memorial Library, 194 Derry Road, Hudson, 886-6030, [rodgerslibrary.org](http://rodgerslibrary.org).

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# POINTS OF VIEW



Everyone has a point of view — and in art, these points of view can be interpreted in diverse and changing ways. Manchester's Art 3 Gallery (44 W. Brook St., Manchester) is presenting this theme in its newest exhibit, "Points of View," through Jan. 25. Hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weekends and evenings by appointment. Visit [art3gallery.com](http://art3gallery.com) or call 668-6650.

## ART DEGREE



What can you do with an art degree? That is the question that New England College Gallery Director Darryl Furtkamp is trying to answer with upcoming exhibits featuring NEC alumni Youdhisthir Maharjan and Nathan Myatt, both of whom now work as professional artists. Myatt's work, "A Visual Documentation of the Urban Persona," and Maharjan's abstract work, "The Art of Not Making Art," will be on display at The New England College Gallery, 98 Bridge St., Henniker, from Nov. 13 through Dec. 4. An opening reception will be held Thursday, Nov. 15, from 4 to 6 p.m. Call 428-2329.

### ART LISTINGS GALLERIES

**Call for hours**  
**Aaron Slater Glass**  
 122 Western Ave., Lowell, Mass., 380-3004  
**Andres Institute of Art**  
 98 Route 13, Brookline, 673-8441, [andresinstitute.org](http://andresinstitute.org)  
**Art 3 Gallery**  
 44 W. Brook St., Manchester, 668-6650  
**Art on the Wall at City Hall Gallery**  
 One City Hall Plaza, Manchester, 624-6455  
**Beaver Brook Association**  
 117 Ridge Road, Hollis, [beaverbrook.org](http://beaverbrook.org), 465-7787  
**Beliveau Fine Art Gallery**  
 Franco-American Centre, 52 Con-

cord St., Manchester, 669-4045  
**Bourque & Associates**  
 835 Hanover St., Manchester, 623-5111  
**Chapel Art Center at Saint Anselm College**, 100 St. Anselm Drive, Manchester, 641-7470  
**Chimera Gallery**  
 99 Factory St. Ext., Nashua, [chimeragallery.net](http://chimeragallery.net), 888-2661  
**Conservation Center Gallery Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests**  
 54 Portsmouth St., Concord, 224-9945, ext. 311  
**Currier Museum of Art**  
 150 Ash St., Manchester, 669-6144  
**Currier Art Center**  
 180 Pearl St., Manchester, 669-6144, ext. 122

### ART LOCAL COLOR

• **Paintings and Puppets:** You might have seen Teresa Moler around Nashua this fall; she made an appearance at the Greeley Park Art show last August, and now her artwork will be on display at the RE/MAX Properties Gallery, 2 Ash St., Hollis, throughout November. Having studied visual arts at Rivier College and at Keene State, she makes watercolor paintings of cats, owls, crabs, flowers, mountain scenes and still lifes. She's shown her paintings at the gallery before, but this time she'll bring puppets, too — some of which she made herself. "I've been a puppeteer longer than I've been a painter. ... It's been an interest of mine since I was just 4 years old, with my first set of hand puppets," Moler said in a phone interview. "I like that it [the puppet] is a representation of the essence of a human being." She gave her first public marionette show when she was 9 years old, and the rest, she says, is history. An artist's reception is Thursday, Nov. 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the gallery. Perhaps there will even be a puppet show, she said.

• **Three Graces Gallery closes:** Kim Ferreira announced that the Three Graces Gallery (105 Market St., Portsmouth, 436-1988, [threegracesgallery.com](http://threegracesgallery.com)) is closing at the end of December. Ferreira, who opened the gallery

when she was 25 years old, expressed in an email her bittersweet feelings about closing the gallery that she's owned for nine years: "It has been an amazing nine years, and it has been an honor to work with so many brilliant artists from near and far. ... While I have put my heart and soul into the gallery these past nine years, I find myself wanting to put my heart and soul into other things now," she wrote, such as in her own artwork. But until then, Three Graces will be bustling with activity; through November and December, the gallery will be filled to the brim with artwork by her favorite artists. The final show in December is a solo show of her own paintings, with an opening reception Friday, Dec. 7, from 5 to 8 p.m., in conjunction with the Portsmouth Gallery Walk. Three Graces will live on, however, online — visit [threegracesgallery.com](http://threegracesgallery.com).

• **Holiday CSA Project:** Sharon Arts Center (30 Grove St., Peterborough) announced that 10 New Hampshire Institute of Art members were selected to participate in a Special Holiday Community Supported Arts Project (CSArt), modeled after the community supported agriculture movement. Shareholders will buy pre-selected bodies of work, which may include prints, paintings,



Painting by Teresa Moler.

photographs and ceramics. The first two CSArt projects were very well-received, said Executive Director Keri Wiederspahn in a release. Participating artists include Gary Samson, Chris Archer, Mary Goldthwaite-Gagne, Ian Hartsoe, Caitlin Pallischeck, Justin Gerace, Tim Donovan and Audrey Kay. Each artist receives a stipend for creating 50 "shares" for the program; shares for 10 works of art are \$350 and can be paid for in two installments of \$175. Call 924-7676 or visit [sharon-arts.org](http://sharon-arts.org). —*Kelly Sennott*

• **Darkroom Gallery**  
 4 Vinton St., Manchester, 606-3322, [darkroomgallery.net](http://darkroomgallery.net)  
**East Colony Fine Art**  
 Langer Place, 55 S. Commercial St., Manchester, 621-7400  
**Eaton-Richmond Center Gallery**  
 Daniel Webster College, 20 University Drive, Nashua, 577-6000, [dwc.edu](http://dwc.edu)  
**E.W. Poore Framing and Gallery**  
 755 Canal St., Manchester, 622-3802  
**Exeter Fine Crafts**  
 61 Water St., Exeter, 778-8282  
**Framers Market**  
 1301 Elm St, Manchester, 668-6989  
**Gallery One Nashua Area Artists Association (NAAA)**  
 Mill House Design Center, 5 Pine Street Ext., Nashua, 883-0603, [naaasite.org](http://naaasite.org)  
**Hatfield Gallery**  
 55 S. Commercial St., Manchester, 627-7560  
**Jewell & the Beanstalk**  
 793 Somerville St., Manchester, 624-3709  
**Kimball-Jenkins School of Art**  
 266 N. Main St., Concord, 225-3932  
**League of NH Craftsmen, Gallery 205**  
 205 N. Main St., Concord, 224-3375, [nhcrafts.org](http://nhcrafts.org)  
**Loading Dock Gallery, Western Avenue Studios**  
 122 Western Ave., Lowell,

Mass., 978-349-8069  
**MAA Gallery**  
 1528 Elm St., Manchester, 785-6437  
**Maison De L'Art**  
 57 E. Pearl St., Nashua, 879-9888 or 424-0544  
**Mariposa Museum**  
 26 Main St., Peterborough, 924-4555  
**Massabesic Audubon Center**  
 26 Audubon Way, Auburn, 668-2045  
**McGowan Fine Art**  
 10 Hills Ave., Concord, 225-2515  
**McIninch Gallery at SNHU**  
 2500 N. River Road, Manchester, 629-4622  
**Mill Brook Gallery and Sculpture Garden**  
 236 Hopkinton Road, Concord, 226-2046 (by appointment in winter)  
**Millyard Museum**  
 200 Bedford St., Manchester, 622-7531  
**Museum of NH History**  
 6 Eagle Sq., Concord, 228-6688, [nhhistory.org](http://nhhistory.org)  
**Nashua Library Image Gallery**  
 2 Court St., Nashua, 589-4610  
**New Hampshire Institute of Art**  
 French Building Gallery, 148 Concord St., Amherst Street Gallery, 77 Amherst St., Manchester, 836-2573, [nhia.edu](http://nhia.edu)  
**Red River Theatres Community Gallery**  
 11 N. Main St., Concord, 224-4600

• **River Art Studios**  
 99 Factory St. Ext., Nashua, 882-1199, [riverartstudios.com](http://riverartstudios.com)  
**Rivier College Art Gallery**  
 Memorial Hall, 435 S. Main St., Nashua, 897-8276  
**New Hampshire Art Association's Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery**  
 136 State St. in Portsmouth, 431-4230  
**S. Grigas Art Studio & Gallery**  
 174 Main St., Nashua, 233-9565  
**Stockbridge Theatre Gallery at Pinkerton Academy**  
 5 Pinkerton St., Derry, 437-5200, ext. 5112  
**Studio of Photographic Arts (SOPHA)**  
 41 Elm St., Manchester, 582-1492  
**T. Devaney Fine Arts**  
 3 Pleasant St., Concord, 774-0018  
**The Wine Studio**  
 53 Hooksett Road, Manchester, 622-9463; 27 Buttrick Road, Londonderry  
**Valley Artisans Artists Gallery**  
 10 Gaboro Road, Epsom, 736-8200  
**Warm Stone Studio**  
 99 Factory St. Ext., Nashua, 595-9500, [warmstonestudio.com](http://warmstonestudio.com)  
**White Birch Fine Art**  
 106 Chase Road, Londonderry, 801-0703, [elainefarmer.com](http://elainefarmer.com).

### Art events

• **"WHITE MOUNTAIN BREAKFRONT"** or "Lambo-

vich IV" collaboration between David Lamb and James Aponovich at the Currier Museum, 150 Ash St., Manchester, on view from through Jan. 6. Film screening on Sun., Nov. 11, at 2 p.m. (*A League of Our Own: New Hampshire and the American Craft Movement*). Visit [currier.org](http://currier.org), call 669-6144.  
 • **APPRAISAL AND ASSESSMENT DAY** on Thurs., Nov. 8, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., at McGowan Fine Art, 10 Hills Ave., Concord. Bring paintings and prints to be appraised. Free. Call 225-2515 or visit [mcgowanfineart.com](http://mcgowanfineart.com).  
 • **NOT YOUR GRANDMA'S CRAFT FAIR** Sat., Nov. 10, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at McDonough Elementary School in Manchester. Visit [notyourgrandmascraft-fair.org](http://notyourgrandmascraft-fair.org).  
 • **HOLLIS ARTS SOCIETY 5TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY SHOW** on Sat., Nov. 10, and Sun., Nov. 11, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., at Lawrence Barn, 28 Depot Road, Hollis. Art, framed paintings, photography, mixed media, encaustics, wood working, clay works, fiber art, glass work and jewelry.  
 • **SILENT ART AUCTION FOR CHARITY** on Sat., Nov. 10, 2-7 p.m., at the Gallery Upstairs at the Old Town Hall in Exeter, 10 Front St. Eleven



area artists display work for auction, with 50 percent of proceeds going to charity. Reception at 5:30 p.m., with refreshments and piano accompaniment by Charlie Jennison.

- **EVOLVING EXPRESSIONS OF SPIRITUALITY IN ART** tour at the Currier Museum Art, 150 Ash St., Manchester, currier.org, 669-6144, on Sun., Nov. 11, at 11:30 a.m., and Fri., Nov. 30, at 11:30 a.m. Free with museum admission.

- **LANDSCAPING IN A USONIAN: THE ZIMMERMAN HOUSE GARDEN** on Sun., Nov. 11, at 3:30 p.m. at the Frank Lloyd Wright house; Reservations required. Admission \$20. Visit currier.org or call 669-6144.
- **GIFT IN HAND THREEDAY ARTISAN SHOW AND SALE** at Canterbury Shaker Village (288 Shaker Road, Canterbury, 229-2157) Nov. 9-11, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit shakers.org, call 783-9077, ext. 284.

- **CONTEMPLATING CONTEMPORARY ART** introduction to Linde Family Wing for Contemporary Art at Boston MFA at Rye Public Library, 581 Washington Road, Rye, 964-8401, on Thurs., Nov. 15, at 7 p.m. Free.

- **12TH ANNUAL PORTSMOUTH HOLIDAY ARTS TOUR** on Fri., Nov. 16, 5-8 p.m.; Sat., Nov. 17, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Sun., Nov. 18, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Download map at portsmouthartstour.com. Seven studios and eleven local artists participating.

- **ARTS IN EARLY LEARNING CONFERENCE** on Sat., Nov. 17, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at the Goddard School in Derry (12 Tseneto Road, Derry). Registration \$35. Visit aanh.org or call 323-7303 or email info@aanh.org.

- **FURNITURE IN THE CURRER'S COLLECTION AND WHITE MOUNTAIN BREAKFRONT** on Thurs., Nov. 29, at 11:30 a.m., at the Currier Museum Art, 150 Ash St., Manchester, currier.org, 669-6144. Tour to examine Currier's furniture collection in greater depth. Free with admission.

- **SHARON ARTS CENTER CSART HOLIDAY PROJECT** featuring work by 10 artists from the NH Institute of Art. Individual shares for 10 works are \$350. Call 924-7676 or visit sharonarts.org for more information. Through Dec. 6.

- **THE ANDRES INSTITUTE OF ART** in Brookline offers guided walking and audio tours of its sculpture park and studio. Call 673-8441, or visit andresinstitute.org.

- **FIRST THURSDAYS** The Currier Museum of Art is open late from 5:30-7:30 p.m., first Thursday of each month with special programs including live music, lectures and film, at 150 Ash St., Manchester, 669-6144, ext. 108, currier.org.

## SOMEWHERE...



Over the rainbow is the Leddy Center in Epping. *The Wizard of Oz* comes to life at the center, 38 Ladds Lane, with Dorothy played by 10-year-old Kirsten Bornkessel of Lee, who will sing and dance along with cast mates AJ Pratt, Eric Savage, Bobby Collinge, Mike Coppinger, Janell Wyman and Kathy St. Germain. This weekend is your last chance to catch this rendition — showtimes are Friday, Nov. 9, at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 10, at 2 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 11, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$18; visit leddycenter.org or call 679-2781.

### GOOD NEIGHBOR SERIES

Sharon Arts Center is hosting a series of cultural programs at its Exhibition Gallery, 30 Grove St., Peterborough, 924-7676, sharonarts.org. Series will feature presentations by professional artists on the first and third Saturdays of the month, 7-9:30 p.m.

- **PICKER ART GALLERY** will host an open studio/meet the artists day on the first Saturday of the month, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., at the Picker Building, 99 Factory St. Extension, Nashua, 305-6256.

- **ZIMMERMAN HOUSE** open for public tours, leaving from the Currier Museum of Art (150 Ash St., Manchester, 669-6144, currier.org). Offered twice daily. Reservations required. Cost is \$8-\$20, includes same-day museum admission.

### Exhibit openings

- **SUE WHITTAKER** shows her exhibit, "Viewable Nudes" at the Wine Studio (53 Hooksett Road, Manchester) through November. Opening reception and wine tasting on Thurs., Nov. 8, 6-8 p.m. Call 622-9463.

- **KIM BERNARD** shows "In Motion" at Discover Portsmouth, 10 Middle St., Portsmouth, Fri., Nov. 9, through Dec. 31. Opening reception Fri., Nov. 9, 5-8 p.m. Free admission. Call 436-8433.

- **ENCOUNTERS WITH CANCER** exhibit of artwork by cancer patients and their loved ones at the Brush Gallery, 256 Market St., Lowell, 978-459-7819. Opening reception Sat., Nov. 10, 2-4 p.m. On view through Dec. 1.

- **YODHISTHIR (YODHI) MAHARJAN AND NATHAN MYATT** exhibit their work, "The

Art of Not Making Art" and "A Visual Documentation of the Urban Persona," respectively, at The New England College Gallery, 98 Bridge St., Henniker, from Nov. 13 through Dec. 4. Opening reception on Thurs., Nov. 15, 4-6 p.m. Call 428-2329.

- **PAINTINGS AND PUPPETS** with Teresa Moler at the RE/MAZ Properties Gallery, 2 Ash St., Hollis, through November. Opening reception on Thurs., Nov. 15, 5-7 p.m., featuring a meet-and-greet and a puppet show display.

### In the galleries

- **ANNICK BOUVRON-GROMEK** exhibit runs through November at the Seacoast Artist Association gallery, 225 Water St., Exeter. Call 583-5293 or visit seacoastartist.org.

- **AUDREY GOLDSTEIN** shows "Issues of Trust" exhibit at the Southern New Hampshire University McIninch Art Gallery (2500 N. River Road, Manchester, 629-4622, snhu.edu/art) through Dec. 15.

- **BARBARA BUSENBARK** paintings at Peterborough Town Library (2 Concord St., Peterborough) during November. Paintings are of Colorado, Montana, Washington State, Kansas and New Hampshire. Call 924-8040, email Barbara@BarbaraBusenbark.com.

- **CHESS ART EXHIBIT** with chess art by award-winning artist Cliff Gillis on display at the Hollis Social Library, 2 Monument Square, Hollis, 465-7721, hollislibrary.org. On display until Dec. 14.

- **COLBY-SAWYER COLLEGE FINE ARTS FACULTY EXHIBIT** new works in diverse

## VIOLIN PLUS



Try for a musical show this weekend, on Saturday, Nov. 10, at 7:30 p.m., with the Nashua Chamber Orchestra's "Joys and Sorrows" concert featuring violinist Francesca Bass in Tchaikovsky's "Serenade Melancolique." The show is at Judd Gregg Hall at Nashua Community College, 505 Amherst St., Nashua. They'll perform again on Sunday, Nov. 11, at 3 p.m., at Milford Town Hall at the Milford Oval. Tickets are \$15 (\$13 for seniors, \$8 for students) and can be purchased at Darrell's Music Hall and at the Toadstool Bookstore in Lorden Plaza in Milford. Visit nco-music.org or call 566-6024.

media exhibition through Dec. 14 at Colby-Sawyer, 541 Main St., New London, 526-3000. Drawing, ceramics, graphic design, new media, painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture.

- **DOWNTON ABBEY: THE PORTSMOUTH CONNECTION** exhibit shows at Portsmouth Athenaeum's Randall Gallery (9 Market Square), through Dec. 1. Visit portsmouthatheneum.org or call 431-2538.

- **DUTCH AND FLEMISH MASTERWORKS** from the Rose-Marie and Eijk van Otterloo Collection on now through February at the Currier Museum of Art, 150 Ash St., Manchester, currier.org.

- **EMILY BOWSER** shows her exhibition, "Exploded View" at the 3S Artspace's Store Gallery (319 Vaughan St., Portsmouth, 766-3330) through Sun., Dec. 2. Fall hours are Fridays 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturdays 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sundays, noon to 4 p.m.

- **ERIC SANFORD — PHOTOGRAPHER** exhibit at Discover Gallery in the Millyard Museum (200 Bedford St., Manchester) on view through Dec. Hours are Tues.-Sat., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

- **"FALL INTO WINTER"** exhibit at The Gallery, 100 Market St., Portsmouth, on display through Jan. 18. Floors 1 and 2. Call 436-2818.

- **GARY HAVEN SMITH** shows "Reflections" at McGowan Fine Art (10 Hills Ave., Concord) through Nov. 9. Free. Call 225-2515 or visit mcgowanfineart.com or email art@mcgowanfineart.com.

- **"GLIMMER OF LIGHT"** landscape painting by Lauren Sansaricq at Chapel Art Center (100 Saint Anselm Drive, Manchester, 641-7470). On view through Dec. 6.

- **"IT'S ALL ABOUT CLAY"** exhibit at the Mill Brook Gallery and Sculpture Garden (236 Hopkinton Road, Concord, themill-

brookgallery.com) through Dec. 24. Call 226-2046.

- **"NATURE AT YOUR DOORSTEP"** exhibit at the Amherst Library, 14 Main St., Amherst, throughout November. Featuring nature photography by Sherie Dowsett. Call 672-1700.

- **"NEW HAMPSHIRE AND THE AMERICAN STUDIO CRAFT MOVEMENT"** on now through Dec. 30 at the Currier Museum of Art, 150 Ash St., Manchester, currier.org.

- **"POINTS OF VIEW"** exhibit opens at the Art 3 Gallery (44 W. Brook St., Manchester, 668-6650), through Jan. 25.

- **PRINTMAKING IN THE AGE OF REMBRANDT** exhibit at Currier Museum of Art (150 Ash St., Manchester), will be available for viewing until Jan. 6.

- **RON PLANTE** is the artist of the month at Nashua Area Arts Association for November, and his work will be displayed in the mayor's office through the end of the month.

- **"TWEET"** shows at the Framers Market (1301 Elm St., Manchester) through Nov. 30, featuring local artists Rosemary Conroy, Karen Bessette, Lorraine Kulik and numerous national printmaking artists. Call 668-6989.

- **"VOTE"** exhibition at East Colony Fine Art (Langer Place, 55 S. Commercial St., Manchester) through Nov. 27. Call 621-7400, visit eastcolony.com.

- **WATSON FARM PROJECT** on exhibit at Kimball Jenkins (266 N. Main St., Concord) through Fri., Nov. 30. Gallery hours Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit kimballjenkins.com.

- **ART IN THE MILL** rotating exhibit of artwork in the UNH Manchester library (400 Commercial St., Manchester, 641-4101, manchester.unh.edu/campuslife/public-programs/art-mill) presents photographs from Greece and Turkey by NH Institute of Art graduate Elizabeth

Ellenwood. Free.

- **NEW RETROSPECTIVE WORKS** by Roger Croteau at Hatfield Gallery, 55 S. Commercial St., Manchester, 627-7560. Open Tues., Thurs. and Fri., 9:30 a.m.

### Classes/workshops

- **CREATING IN CLAY** on Sat., Nov. 10, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Currier Museum Art, 150 Ash St., Manchester, currier.org, 669-6144. Family event; hands-on activities, guided tour and Discover Gallery visits. Museum admission free, 10 a.m. to noon.

- **ART CENTER WORKSHOP: ETCHING** on Sat., Nov. 10, and Sat., Nov. 17, 1-4 p.m., at the Currier Museum of Art, 150 Ash St., Manchester. Tuition is \$110. Call 669-7194 or visit currier.org.

- **ART CENTER WORKSHOP: ENGRAVING** Sat., Dec. 1, and Sat., Dec. 8, 1-4 p.m., at Currier Museum of Art, 150 Ash St., Manchester. Cost is \$120. Call 669-7194 or visit currier.org.

### CLASSICAL LISTINGS

#### Concerts

- **PIANIST FRED MOYER** plays at Southern New Hampshire University McIninch Art Gallery (2500 N. River Road, Manchester, 629-4622, snhu.edu/art) on Thurs., Nov. 8, at 6 p.m., at the SNHU Dining Center Banquet Hall. Free.

- **CHORUS JIG: NEW ENGLAND FIDDLE TUNES AND FOLK SONGS** on Thurs., Nov. 8, with Lissa Scheckenburger and David Surrete, 12:10-12:50 p.m., at Concord Community Music School, 23 Wall St., Concord, 228-1196.

- **"WE THE PEOPLE"** musical at the Claremont Opera House (58 Opera House Square, Claremont, 542-0064) on Fri., Nov. 9, at 10 a.m., claremontoperahouse.org. Musical inspired by American government topics and civic lessons. Tickets \$5. Call 542-0064.

- **BROWN BIRD CONCERT** at Peterborough Historical Society, 19 Grove St., Peterborough, on Sat., Nov. 10, at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 at door. Visit thethinginthespring.com/tickets or visit the Toadstool Bookshop in Peterborough for tickets.

- **NASHUA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA "JOYS AND SORROWS"** concert on Sat., Nov. 10, at 7:30 p.m., at Judd Gregg Hall at Nashua Community College, 505 Amherst St., Nashua, and Sun., Nov. 11, at 3 p.m., at the Milford Town Hall on the Milford Oval, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15; visit nco-music.org or call 566-6024.

- **"FLY ME TO THE MOON"** wine tasting and auction at Brady Sullivan Plaza, 1000 Elm St., Manchester, on Fri., Nov. 9, 6-9:30 p.m. Wine vendors, food and entertainment by NH Youth Jazz Ensemble. Tickets \$30. Call 472-6672 or visit mcsnh.org.



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### Get Listed

From yoga to pilates, cooking to languages to activities for the kids, Hippo's weekly listing offers a rundown of all area events and classes. Get your program listed by sending information to [listings@hippopress.com](mailto:listings@hippopress.com) at least three weeks before the event.

# INSIDE/OUTSIDE Peer into the past

## See Civil War artifacts in Concord

By Cory Francer  
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Blown up to nearly life-size proportions, the faces of 150 years ago stare back from the wall. A photograph taken by Sarah Low of Dover, a young woman who traveled to Washington to serve as a nurse during the Civil War, depicts the soldiers she helped heal and a morbid scene that in the text of a letter she says leaves her with "no room for feeling."

"Voices from the Front," an exhibit showcasing New Hampshire's involvement in the Civil War, is more than just a display of muskets and photographs. Over the years the New Hampshire Historical Society took in piecing the displays together to show at its museum (6 Eagle Square, Concord), the focus was on showing the more personal side of the war and how it affected all citizens — not just soldiers.

There are uniforms that were used in battle, news clippings and photographs. But the human element is ever present through a wooden pipe, intricately carved with praises for Abraham Lincoln by William J. Fortier of Franklin while he was a prisoner of war. There is even a

piece of hardtack, a hard rectangular cracker for soldiers to snack on, still preserved from the war.

Wesley Balla, the Historical Society's director of collections and exhibitions, said the Society has been in existence since before the war began and because of that tenure, it has been able to collect artifacts throughout the war and ever since. While Balla said it's now rare to add a new weapon or personal item to the collection, the Society still receives letters and photos. When those are combined, they can make for an exciting find.

"Letters and diaries are great, but when we get a collection of objects and letters or photographs, we can blow it up and actually look into their faces," Balla said.

Balla said it has been exciting to look into such a monumental time period through a New Hampshire perspective. The Historical Society has even put together a piece on a historian from Gilmanton who began his own documentation of the war just a month after it ended.

John Badger Bachelder called the Lakes Region home but became enthralled specifically with the Battle of Gettysburg. A month after the Civil War's most famous battle, he traveled to the battlefield, collect-



A blown-up photograph shows the 3<sup>rd</sup> regiment of New Hampshire volunteers in a moment of relaxation, playing dominoes, smoking cigars and reading the newspaper. Courtesy photo.

ing any item he could. He devoted the rest of his life to studying the battle, commissioning paintings of it and even drawing a map of every troop movement throughout the fight.

A painting that Bachelder commissioned is one of the exhibit's focal points.

"People were already thinking the war was going to be of great importance," Balla said. "He took the painting with him to a lecture series he led on Gettysburg."

In addition to the exhibit, the society is hosting a free exhibit of photographs from the Civil War taken by Henry P. Moore of Concord as he traveled from New Hampshire through South Carolina and

### "Voices from the Front"

**Where:** New Hampshire Historical Society Museum, 6 Eagle Square, Concord

**When:** Through Monday, Dec. 31

**Admission:** \$5.50 (\$4.50 for seniors, \$3 for children 6-18, family maximum \$17)

Georgia. That exhibit runs through July 6 at the New Hampshire History library, 30 Park St., Concord. "Voices from the Front" will be up through Monday, Dec. 31.

Balla said the exhibit provides a rare opportunity to see pieces that had such a direct impact on the shape of the nation.

"All of these items were actually used by someone," he said. 🍷

## CHILDREN & TEENS Events

• **HARVEST MOON SUPPER** at the Dunbarton Community Center (20 Robert Rogers Road, Dunbarton), Sat., Nov. 10, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Children's activities and a turkey dinner will be available. Tickets are \$9 for adults and \$5 for children. Call 774-4232 or email [dunbartonpto@gmail.com](mailto:dunbartonpto@gmail.com).

• **MINI IRON CHEF COMPETITION** at the Children's Museum of New Hampshire (6 Washington St., Dover), Sat., Nov. 10, 10:30-11:30 a.m., and 1-2 p.m. Pairs of one child and one adult can team up and create a meal from a box of ingredients. Registration is \$15 per team and registration is required. Call 742-2002.

• **FESTIVAL OF TREES ORNAMENT MAKING** at the Meredith Public Library (91 Main St., Mer-

edith), Sat., Nov. 10, 17 and 24, 10 a.m.-noon. Visit the library to help decorate a tree that the Friends of the Meredith Public Library are sponsoring for Altrusa Club of Meredith's Festival of Trees. Call 279-4303.

• **GAMING DAY** at Rodgers Memorial Library (194 Derry Road, Hudson), Mon., Nov. 12, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Bring your laptop or use one supplied by the library and play PC games with other gaming enthusiasts. Call 886-6030 or visit [www.rodgerslibrary.org](http://www.rodgerslibrary.org).

• **OPEN HOUSE** at Nashua Christian Academy (55 Franklin St., Nashua), Mon., Nov. 12, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. for prospective students in grades 6-12. Tour the school and learn about a Christian education. Call 889-8892 or visit [www.nashuachristian.org](http://www.nashuachristian.org).

• **APPLE AND MARSH-MALLOW TURKEYS** at the Kelley Library (234

Main St., Salem), Wed., Nov. 14, at 6:30 p.m. For ages 6-10, make a Thanksgiving craft using apples and marshmallows. Prior registration is recommended. Call 898-7064.

• **NATIVE AMERICAN GAMES AND STORIES** at Amoskeag Fishways (4 Fletcher St., Manchester) Fri., Nov. 16, 7-8 p.m. Learn and play traditional Penacook games. Cost is \$5 with registration required. Call 626-3474 or visit [www.amoskeagfishways.org](http://www.amoskeagfishways.org).

• **NATURE PLAY: A PARENT-CHILD WORKSHOP** at Squam Lakes Natural Science Center (23 Science Center Road, Holderness), Fri., Nov. 16, 10-11 a.m. For adults and children younger than 6, explore outside and get exercise. Admission is \$7 and free for accompanying adult. Call 968-7194, email [info@nhnature.org](mailto:info@nhnature.org) or visit [www.nhnature.org](http://www.nhnature.org).

• **PIZZAFEST** at the Children's Museum of New Hampshire (6 Washington St., Dover), Fri., Nov. 16, 5-8 p.m. Try pizza from seacoast restaurants and vote for your favorite. Children's activities, an auction and art displays will also be on hand for the evening. \$10 for adults, \$7 for children 3-10, and free for ages 2 and younger. Call 742-2002 or visit [www.childrens-museum.org](http://www.childrens-museum.org).

• **MAD SCIENCE** at the Wadleigh Memorial Library (49 Nashua St., Milford), Fri., Nov. 16, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Learn about glacier movements through the use of GAK. The project may be messy so bring a smock or a large T-shirt. For kids in grades 2-5. Call 673-2408.

• **THANKSGIVING CRAFT PARTY** at the Wadleigh Memorial Library (49 Nashua St., Milford), Sat., Nov. 17,

at 11 a.m. Get ready for Thanksgiving with holiday themed crafts. Registration is not required. Call 673-2408.

• **READING WITH ROCKY** at the Meredith Public Library (91 Main St., Meredith), Tues., Nov. 20, at 1 p.m. For ages 2-6, visit Rocky, a certified therapy dog and read him a story. Call 279-4303.

• **FEEDING BIRDS IN YOUR BACKYARD** at Amoskeag Fishways (4 Fletcher St., Manchester) Wed., Nov. 28, 9:30-11 a.m. and 12:30-2 p.m. Go on a bird walk, learn how birds live through the winter and make a bird feeder to bring home. Cost is \$5 with registration required. Call 626-3474 or visit [www.amoskeagfishways.org](http://www.amoskeagfishways.org).

**Gymnastics**  
• **FLIPZ GYMNASTICS** (134D Hall St., Concord,

224-3223, [flipzgymnastics.com](http://flipzgymnastics.com)) offers gymnastics classes for children. Beginner classes are 45 minutes for 3- to 5-year-olds, \$55 per month; 1 hour for 4½- to 6-year-olds, \$60 per month; 1 hour for ages 6 and older, \$60 per month. Intermediate classes for 6-year-olds and older are separated by skill and are an hour or more, one to two times per week, \$70 per month and up.

• **GRANITE STATE GYMNASTICS CENTER** (71 River Road, Bow, 228-8424, [granitategymnastics.org](http://granitategymnastics.org)) offers classes for girls and boys age 5 and older, \$65 and up (depending on level) per month. There are tumbling and trampoline classes (ages 5 and older) for \$65 per month.

• **KELLY'S GYMNASTICS** (10 N. Main St., Rochester, 332-9821, [kellysgymnastics.com](http://kellysgymnastics.com)) offers



## FIRST AID

If a friend or family member is in need of CPR, will you know how to respond? On Sunday, Nov. 18, from noon to 2:30 p.m., visit St. Joseph Hospital (172 Kinsley St., Nashua) for CPR instruction for use on infants, children and adults. The class does not provide certification, but will provide information on how to use the technique for personal use. Admission is \$35. Call 955-3168 or visit [www.stjosephhospital.com/classes](http://www.stjosephhospital.com/classes).

classes for ages 3 to 11 that focus on developing students' confidence and skill through increasingly challenging activities on each of the five major events: floor, bars, balance beam, vault and trampoline. Classes are one hour and cost \$72 for five weeks.

### Nature

• **FAMILY WISE TALKS** at the Seacoast Science Center (570 Ocean Blvd., Rye) on the third Saturday of the month, 2-3:30 p.m. "Mother West Wind" visits from the Green Meadows with stories about the creatures that live at Smiling Pond and Laughing Brook. Free with admission. Visit [seacoastsciencecenter.org/calendar](http://seacoastsciencecenter.org/calendar) or call 436-8043.

• **SATURDAY TREKS** at the Seacoast Science Center (570 Ocean Blvd., Rye) on the third Saturday of the month, 9 a.m. to noon. For children 4-7. Nature walk, bring camera. Cost is \$35 per child. Visit [seacoastsciencecenter.org/calendar](http://seacoastsciencecenter.org/calendar) or call 436-8043.

### Ongoing activities

• **ABC AND ME** at the Meredith Public Library (91 Main St., Meredith), Wednesdays, 10-11 a.m., or 1-2 p.m. For ages 3-5, learn songs, stories and crafts to help expand vocabulary. Call 279-4303.

• **AFTER SCHOOL MOVIE** at Concord Public Library (45 Green St., Concord) Wed., Nov. 14. Free and open to the public. Call 225-8670 for movie titles.

• **ART CLASSES** will be held at the Kimball Jenkins Estate (266 N. Main St., Concord) throughout the spring for both children and adults. Call 225-3932 or visit [kimballjenkins.com](http://kimballjenkins.com).

• **ARTSY SATURDAYS** at Meredith Public Library (91 Main St., Meredith), Saturdays, 10 a.m.-

noon. Create art and learn art concepts. Call 279-4303 or visit [www.meredithlibrary.org](http://www.meredithlibrary.org).

• **AMERICAN GIRL CLUB** at Barnes & Noble, 1741 S. Willow St., Manchester, on the third Wed. of the month, 6:30 p.m. All are welcome. Bring your American Girl doll. Call 668-0022.

• **BECK'S ART EXPRESS** offers children's art parties and art education at 6 Gaffney St., Nashua. Call 889-1670 or visit [artsexpressnh.com](http://artsexpressnh.com).

• **CONCORD BOYS & GIRLS CLUB** (55 Bradley St., Concord, 224-1061, [concordkids.org](http://concordkids.org)) offers after-school programs ages 6-18. There are also programs in Suncook and Hopkinton along with fall and winter basketball. Applications for after-school programs are on the website.

• **CRAFTERNOON** for grades 1 to 8 at Concord Public Library is held once monthly and features a different craft project each month.

• **CRAFT EXTRAVAGANZA** at the Tucker Free Library (31 Western Ave., Henniker, 428-3471, [tuckerfreelibrary.org](http://tuckerfreelibrary.org)) every Thursday at 3:15 p.m. for children in kindergarten through second grade.

• **CREATIVE CRAFT CLASSES** at Nashua Public Library (2 Court St., Nashua) Thursdays at 4 p.m. For ages 6-10. Register online at [www.tinyurl.com/nplkid](http://www.tinyurl.com/nplkid) for up to three of six options.

• **FAMILY PAJAMA TIME** in the meeting room at the Hollis Social Library on the third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m., all ages welcome. Enjoy stories and snacks.

• **FIRST FRIENDS PLAY GROUP** (Children's Museum of NH, 6 Washington St., Dover, 742-2002, [childrens-museum.org](http://childrens-museum.org)) runs every Wednesday 9:30-11 a.m. Parents and their children

ages 6-24 months are invited to come and play. This drop-in program is free for museum members; nonmembers pay regular admission.

• **FRIDAY AFTERNOON MOVIES** at the West Manchester Community Library, every Friday at 3 p.m. Call 624-6550.

• **FRIDAY FAMILY MOVIES** at the Hollis Social Library (2 Monument Square, Hollis) on the first Friday of the month at 5:15 p.m. Bring a potluck dish to share. Call 465-7721 or visit [www.hollislibrary.org](http://www.hollislibrary.org).

• **GIRL SCOUTS** of the Green and White Mountains, for girls ages 5-17. Make friends, take action, and have new and exciting experiences. See [girlscoutsgwm.org](http://girlscoutsgwm.org) or call 888-474-9686 to find a troop in your area.

• **GREATER MANCHESTER YMCA** (locations in Manchester, Goffstown, Londonderry and Rochester, [gmymca.org](http://gmymca.org)) offers before- and after-school care in all locations along with a School's Out program in Manchester. Rates vary depending on and location.

• **GREATER NASHUA YMCA** (6 Henry Clay Drive, Merrimack, 881-7778, and 17 Prospect St., Nashua, 882-2011, [nmymca.org](http://nmymca.org)) offers an after-school program for children in grades 1-6.

• **HOMEWORK HELP** at the Connection Center, 280 DW Hwy., Merrimack, every Friday, 3-5 p.m. Free. See [connection-center.org](http://connection-center.org) or call 670-8504.

• **LEGO CLUB** in the auditorium of the Concord Public Library, second Thursday of each month, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Each month participants will be given a new building challenge; designed for grades K-8. Registration is not required. Call 225-8670.

• **LEGO CLUB** at Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library (7 Forest Road, Wilton), first and third Friday of the month at 3:30 p.m. For ages 6 and older, build your own Lego project.

• **LEGOS** at the Meredith Public Library (91 Main St., Meredith), every Tuesday and Thursday, 5-7:30 p.m. The library will provide a box of Legos to build with. Call 279-4303.

• **MANCHESTER BOYS & GIRLS CLUB** (555 Union St., Manchester, 625-5982 or 625-5031, [mbgenh.org](http://mbgenh.org)) offers and after-school programs in various locations in Manchester, including the Keystone Club and homework help.

• **MESSY CRAFT CLUB** at Hollis Social Library (2 Monument Square, Hollis). First Monday of each month at 4 p.m. for grades K-2. After making a messy craft, enjoy a story. Call 465-7721 or visit [www.hollislibrary.org](http://www.hollislibrary.org).

• **MONDAY NIGHT SCRABBLE** Every Monday at the Hollis Social Library, 6:30-8:30 p.m. in

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- **MOTHER-DAUGHTER BOOK CLUB** at Hollis Social Library (2 Monument Square, Hollis) on the third Wednesday of each month, 6 p.m. For girls in grades 5-8 and their mothers. Attendees are requested to bring a potluck dish. Sign up online at [www.hollislibrary.org](http://www.hollislibrary.org).

- **NASHUA BOYS & GIRLS CLUB** (47 Grand Ave., Nashua, 883-0523, [bgcn.com](http://bgcn.com)) offers programs for ages 5 to 18. Transportation is available from all Nashua schools to the Boys & Girls Club along with after-school programs at area schools. The website has a full listing of programs.

- **OPEN GYM** at Flipz Gymnastics (134D Hall St., Concord, 224-3223, [flipzgymnastics.com](http://flipzgymnastics.com)) on Mondays, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Tuesdays, 9 a.m.-noon and 2-3 p.m., Fridays, 10 a.m.-noon, and Saturdays, 10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. There are trampolines, rings, balance beams, tunnels, slides, an inflatable bounce house and more. Cost is \$5 per child. Call 224-3223.

- **PAWS FOR PAGES** Concord Public Library, 45 Green St., Concord, 230-3682. Designed to help kids improve their reading and communication skills. Lily or Sparkle will be available with their handlers the first and third Thursdays and second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 3:30-5 p.m. to listen as children read to her. Both are certified through Therapy Dogs International and are calm, gentle dogs that love people. Children who attend will each have 15 minutes of Lily's or Sparkle's undivided attention.

- **PAPER CRAFT** at the Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library (7 Forest Road, Wilton), third Wednesday of the month at 3:30 p.m. For ages 8 and older, a different paper craft each month. Call 654-2581 or visit [www.wiltonlibrarynh.org](http://www.wiltonlibrarynh.org).

- **PRESCHOOL ARTS AND CRAFTS** at Nashua Public Library (2 Court St., Nashua) on Thursdays at 1 p.m. Register at [www.tinyurl.com/nplkid](http://www.tinyurl.com/nplkid) for up to three of six options.

- **SOUHEGAN VALLEY BOYS & GIRLS CLUB** (56 Mont Vernon St., Milford, 672-1002, [svbgc.org](http://svbgc.org)) offers after-school for 6- to 18-year-olds along with before-school program for elementary students.

- **TOT TIME** at the Meredith Public Library (91 Main St., Meredith), Fridays, 9:30-10:30 a.m. For children up to 3 years old, come for a story, art project and a snack. Call 279-4303.

- **WEE ONES PLAY GROUP** (Children's Museum of New

## DONATE WARMTH



The season of giving is upon us, and every year, UNH Manchester and the UNH Community Leadership Program help to lead the charge. Drop off new or lightly used winter clothing at UNH Manchester (400 Commercial St., Manchester) through Friday, Nov. 16, for Warmth from the Millyard, a clothing drive that provides local social service agencies with the warm clothing. Call 641-4360 or e-mail [elizabeth.brideau@unh.edu](mailto:elizabeth.brideau@unh.edu).

Hampshire, 6 Washington St., Dover, 742-2002, [childrensmuseum.org](http://childrensmuseum.org)) runs every Wednesday 9:45-10:45 a.m. This interactive, drop-in program for children ages 2-4 with a parent or caregiver includes art, music, movement and conceptual learning with a new theme each week. The cost per adult/child pair is \$8 (\$5 for members).

- **WII FRIDAY** at Hollis Social Library (2 Monument Square, Hollis), every Friday, 2:30-4:45 p.m. Games and snacks will be provided, but kids in grades 3 and up are invited to bring their own. Call 465-7721 or visit [www.hollislibrary.org](http://www.hollislibrary.org).

- **WII WEDNESDAY** at Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library (7 Forest Road, Wilton), fourth Wednesday of the month at 3:30 p.m. For grades five and up, Wii and board games will be available for an afternoon of play. Call 654-2581 or visit [www.wiltonlibrarynh.org](http://www.wiltonlibrarynh.org).

- **YWCA OF MANCHESTER** (72 Concord St., Manchester, 625-5785, [ywcanh.org](http://ywcanh.org)) offers Peer Action Changing Tomorrow, a 10-week YWCA teen leadership and education program that empowers teens to become resources and consultants to peers about sexuality and health concerns, and Girls Circle, a safe and fun place for girls to get away from all the difficult things they deal with from day to day. It also offers an after-school program for girls 6 to 13. Email [info@ywcanh.org](mailto:info@ywcanh.org).

### Sports

- **ALL-AGES ARCHERY** with the New England School of Archery and Supplies. Classes are available for ages 7 and older throughout the state; equipment provided. Call 672-2845 or email [nesainc@aol.com](mailto:nesainc@aol.com).

- **AMHERST SOCCER CLUB** (P.O. Box 853, Amherst, [amherstsoccerclub.com](http://amherstsoccerclub.com)) offers soccer programs for children age 3-10. There are also limited spots in boys' and girls' U11-U14 teams. Email [registrar@amherstsoccerclub.com](mailto:registrar@amherstsoccerclub.com).

- **ARCHERY LESSONS** offered by Concord Recreation, for beginners and advanced players on Friday evenings or Saturday afternoons for seven-week sessions at East Concord Community Center, Concord. Call 225-8690 or visit [ci.concord.nh.us/recreation](http://ci.concord.nh.us/recreation).

- **BALLET AND TAP** for ages 2-7 at the Green Street Community Center Dance Studio (39 Green St., Concord), on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Visit [www.ci.concord.nh.us/recreation](http://www.ci.concord.nh.us/recreation) for times and prices.

- **BASKETBALL** offered by Concord Recreation for 4 years old to sixth grade. Learn basketball basics in a league stressing fun. Cost is \$45 before Fri., Nov. 16, and \$55 after. Third-grade through sixth-grade leagues are only for Concord and Penacook residents. Call 225-8690 or visit [www.concordnh.gov/recreation](http://www.concordnh.gov/recreation).

- **BASKETBALL** offered by Concord Recreation for grades 7-12. This league, for Concord and Penacook residents, is for students who did not make their school team, but still want to play basketball. Call 225-8690 or visit [www.ci.concord.nh.us/recreation](http://www.ci.concord.nh.us/recreation).

- **BEDFORD BASKETBALL LEAGUE** (P.O. Box 10351, Bedford, 488-1161, [bedfordbl.com](http://bedfordbl.com)) offers recreational teams for boys and girls in grades 2-8 and travel teams for boys and girls in grades 3 to 8 along with boys' and girls' biddy basketball for grades 9-12. Children must try out for travel teams.

- **FIELDHOUSE SPORTS** (12

## INSIDE/OUTSIDE TREASURE HUNT

Hello, Donna.

*I have several pieces of stone fruit that I got from my parents. I added a few pieces to the collection myself but now have lost interest. Can you tell me what the market would be for these? Thank you.*

Ted

Dear Ted,

You have a nice collection of stone fruit. Well that's what it is called, but really it's not stone at all. All the earlier examples of this craft were hand carved from pieces of marble or in some cases alabaster. The detail in some pieces is so good that children have picked them up off the table to eat them and you can see tiny teeth marks on them.

Stone fruit has been around since the 1800s and is still made today, although it's made differently now than it used to be. (Beware reproductions of new or old ones.) It was very popular during the Victorian period. It became popular again in the 1970s and 1980s and so began a new line of it with a shiny gloss finish instead of the matte finish you see on yours.

Even though stone fruit has been collectible for periods of time, now is not one of them. It seems it doesn't fit into today's decorating, and so there is a lot around, which brings down the price.

Years ago you would expect to pay anywhere from \$40 to \$50 for a single piece



of the common ones. The harder-to-find ones like grapes, cherries and nuts were even costlier. Today, though, the common ones are in the \$20 range if you want to sell them, and even then it will take someone with an appreciation for stone fruit.

I hope this was helpful, Ted, and my suggestion to you is to hold on to them for now.

*Donna Welch has spent more than 20 years in the antiques and collectibles field and owns From Out Of The Woods Antique Center in Goffstown ([www.fromoutofthewoodsantiques.com](http://www.fromoutofthewoodsantiques.com)). She is an antiques appraiser, an instructor and a licensed auctioneer. To find out about your antique or collectible, send a clear photo of the object and information about it to Donna Welch, From Out Of The Woods Antique Center, 465 Mast Road, Goffstown, N.H., 03045. Or e-mail her at [footwdw@aol.com](mailto:footwdw@aol.com). Or drop by the shop (call first, 624-8668).* 🍎

Tallwood Drive, Bow, 226-4646, [fieldhousesports.com](http://fieldhousesports.com)) offers fields clinics for children 6 and older.

- **ITSEY BITSY SKATERS** at the Everett Ice Arena (15 Loudon Road, Concord), Wednesdays, Nov. 7-Dec. 19, 1:15-1:45 p.m. For ages 3-5. Call 225-8690 or visit [www.ci.concord.nh.us/recreation](http://www.ci.concord.nh.us/recreation).

- **MANCHESTER EAST SOCCER LEAGUE** ([mesl.org](http://mesl.org)) has teams from U6 to U19.

- **MANCHESTER NORTH SOCCER LEAGUE** ([mnsn.org](http://mnsn.org)) has teams from U6 to U19.

- **NH SPORTSPLEX** (68 Technology Drive, Bedford, 641-1313, [nhsportsplex.com](http://nhsportsplex.com)) offers soccer for children 18 months and older (including competitive soccer U8-U16), youth flag football and lacrosse. Call for prices and details.

- **NLP ELITE ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM** Next Level Performance (31 S. Commercial St., Manchester, [nlpspeed.com](http://nlpspeed.com)) offers in classes strength, speed, agility, flexibility and injury prevention for athletes ages 11 and older on Mon., Wed., Thurs. and Fri. Call 627-7500.

- **PRESCHOOL OPEN GYM** at the Green Street Community Center (39 Green St., Concord), Tuesdays, Nov. 13-Dec. 18, 9:30-

10:15 a.m. For ages 18 months to 4 years with a parent. Cost is \$15 for residents and \$25 for non-residents. Call 225-8690.

- **SOCCER DIVISION I** by Concord Recreation for grades 1-2, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 5-6:15 p.m. Cost is \$54. Open to the public, but space is limited. Call 225-8690 or visit [ci.concord.nh.us/recreation](http://ci.concord.nh.us/recreation).

- **SOCCER DIVISION II** by Concord Recreation for grades 3-4. Games will be played on Tuesday/Thursday and Saturday. Cost is \$54. Open to the public, but space is limited. Call 225-8690 or visit [ci.concord.nh.us/recreation](http://ci.concord.nh.us/recreation).

- **SOCCER DIVISION III GIRLS** by Concord Recreation for grades 5-6. Cost is \$54. Games will be played on Tuesday/Thursday and Saturday. Open to the public, but space is limited. Call 225-8690 or visit [ci.concord.nh.us/recreation](http://ci.concord.nh.us/recreation).

- **SOCCER FUNDAMENTALS** offered by Concord Recreation for ages 4-6 on Saturdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Cost is \$54. Open to Penacook residents. Call 225-8690 or visit [ci.concord.nh.us/recreation](http://ci.concord.nh.us/recreation).

- **SPORTIES FOR SHORTIES** at the Green Street Community Center Gym (39 Green St., Concord), Tuesdays, Nov. 13-Dec. 18, 10:30-11:30 a.m. For ages

4-6 and not in first grade, learn a new sport each week. Enrollment is \$34 for residents and \$44 for non-residents. Call 225-8690.

- **TEAM NH BASEBALL** has limited openings left for 2013 U14s and 15s roster spots. Year round training and seasonal games. Call 577-1772 or email [nhgrizzlies@comcast.net](mailto:nhgrizzlies@comcast.net).

- **TRI-TOWN ICE ARENA** (311 W. River Road, Hooksett, 485-1100, [tri-townicearena.com](http://tri-townicearena.com)) offers learn to skate for 3-year-olds and older, learn to play hockey for 4- to 9-year-olds, and public skating.

### Teen/tween events

- **PLAY DATE NH** invites youth age 12-18 to learn, play and enjoy new card, strategy and board games at area libraries. Semi-professional gaming geeks will be on hand to mentor new players in classic and modern games. See [playdatenh.com](http://playdatenh.com). Game days are hosted on the second Saturday of each month, noon to 4 p.m., at Rodgers Memorial Library (194 Derry Road, Hudson, [rodgerslibrary.org](http://rodgerslibrary.org), 886-6030).

- **ANIME CLUB** for ages 12-18 at the Hollis Social Library on the last Monday of every month, 2:30-4:15 p.m.

- **ANIME CLUB** for ages 12-17 at Nashua Public Library, 2 Court



## ROLL THE BALLS



Send a pool ball down the track and see physics in action. The SEE Science Center's (200 Bedford St., Manchester) newest exhibit, "Pool Ball Falls," features tracks that will send pool balls through jumps and bumps on the way to the finish line. The museum is open Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$8. Call 669-0400 or visit [www.see-sciencecenter.org](http://www.see-sciencecenter.org). Courtesy photo.

St., Nashua, first Tuesday of every month at 4 p.m. Discuss anime or manga series, participate in games and activities, and display your anime sketches in the teen room. Call 589-4612 or visit [tinyurl.com/nplteen](http://tinyurl.com/nplteen).

• **ANIME CLUB** at Manchester City Library, 405 Pine St., Manchester. Meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month. Open to grades 6-12. Play cards, watch movies, discuss favorite characters, and draw. Call Kate Norton at 624-6550, ext. 335, or email [knorton@manchester.nh.gov](mailto:knorton@manchester.nh.gov) for details.

• **ANIME AND MANGA CLUB** at the Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library (7 Forest Road, Wilton), first Wednesday of the month at 3:30 p.m. Club for teenagers to discuss, watch and draw Japanese-style comics and animation. Call 654-2581 or visit [www.wiltonlibrarynh.org](http://www.wiltonlibrarynh.org).

• **ANIME/MANGA CLUB** at Rodgers Memorial Library (194 Derry Road, Hudson) meets on the third Monday of each month at 2:30 p.m. and the first Saturday of each month at 1 p.m. Call 886-6030.

• **BALLROOM DANCING** for ages 11-19 at Queen City Ballroom, 21 Dow St., Manchester. To sign up, email [qnctybalrm@aol.com](mailto:qnctybalrm@aol.com) or call 622-1500. Visit [queencityballroomnh.com](http://queencityballroomnh.com).

• **BOOK DISCUSSIONS FOR TEENS** at the Nashua Public Library (2 Court St., Nashua) on the last Tuesday of the month at 4 p.m. Each month will have a theme, but participants can choose the book. Call 589-4610, email [teens@nashualibrary.org](mailto:teens@nashualibrary.org) or visit [www.tinyurl.com/nplteen](http://www.tinyurl.com/nplteen).

• **BOOKS AND BITES** Talk books and eat food at the Nashua

Public Library (2 Court St., Nashua) on Tuesdays at 4 p.m. A new theme each week. Call 589-4610, email [teens@nashualibrary.org](mailto:teens@nashualibrary.org) or visit [www.tinyurl.com/nplteen](http://www.tinyurl.com/nplteen).

• **CECILIA ENSEMBLE** High school-age section of the Peterborough Children's Choir is open to girls grades 9-12 who can meet for practice Mondays 4-5:30 p.m. at Peterborough Unitarian Church on Main Street. There are requirements for singing ability and self-motivation. Contact Maria Belva at 924-2055 or [maribelva@gmail.com](mailto:maribelva@gmail.com). [pcchoir.org](http://pcchoir.org).

• **CHICKS WITH STICKS BOOK CLUB** Wadleigh Memorial Library, 49 Nashua St., Milford, meets monthly on Thursdays, 3 p.m. in the AV Room. For grades 7 and up, this club invites participants to bring their current knitting projects, enjoy snacks and book discussions. New members and beginner knitters are welcome. Call 673-2408 or visit [wadleighlibrary.org](http://wadleighlibrary.org).

• **FANTASY BOOK CLUB** held on the first Tuesday of every month at 4 p.m. at Hollis Social Library, 465-7721, [hollis.nh.us/library](http://hollis.nh.us/library). For ages 8-13. For kids who love reading fantasy books about dragons, magic, the future and more. Free and open to the public.

• **GEEKS R US ANIME CLUB** for teens at Wadleigh Memorial Library, 49 Nashua St., Milford, meets monthly on Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. in the Keyes Meeting Room. Hang out and discuss your favorite anime or manga series, games and activities. Call 673-2408 or visit [wadleighlibrary.org](http://wadleighlibrary.org).

• **JR. FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY** Hollis Social Library, 465-7721, for grades 5 and up, on the 2nd Tuesday of every month

at 4 p.m. Children can help organize, plan and run special family, children's and summer reading programs. They can earn volunteer hours. Sign up at [hollislibrary.org](http://hollislibrary.org).

• **MONDAY NIGHT SCRABBLE** every week, 6:30-8:30 p.m., at Hollis Social Library, 465-7721, [hollislibrary.org](http://hollislibrary.org). Join young adults for some fun rounds of this classic word game. Invite a partner. Bring a Scrabble board, if possible.

• **NH INSTITUTE OF ART** (148 Concord St., Manchester, 866-241-4918, [nhia.edu](http://nhia.edu)) offers classes for high school students college credit. Prices vary depending on type of class and materials needed.

• **TEEN ADVISORY BOARD** meets on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m., at Hollis Social Library, 465-7721, [hollislibrary.org](http://hollislibrary.org). For ages 13-18. Help the library plan programs, choose books and materials for teens, organize outreach, decorate the teen area, eat snacks and hang out with friends. Community service credit will be given.

• **TEEN COOKING CLUB** at Manchester City Library, 405 Pine St., Manchester, meets monthly on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. Teens ages 11-18 are welcome to learn the basics of cooking, make their favorite dishes and explore new types of food. All materials will be provided. Club meets in the Winchell Room. Call 624-6550.

• **TEEN MUSIC CLASSES** at Music Together of Milford, 102 Elm St., Milford, on Mondays, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Advanced and intermediates welcome to acoustic music class led by Amy Conley. Cost is \$10/session. Adults also welcome. Call 249-9560 to register. Visit [amyconleymusic.com](http://amyconleymusic.com).

• **TEEN PIZZA & PAGES** at Wadleigh Memorial Library, 49 Nashua St., Milford, meets monthly on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. For grades 5 and up. Enjoy pizza while discussing a book. Copies available on the teen display. Call 673-2408 or visit [wadleighlibrary.org](http://wadleighlibrary.org).

• **TEEN TORCH: GLASS GALORE** at Sharon Arts Center School of Art & Craft (457 Rt. 123, Sharon), Tuesdays through Dec. 4, 3-5 p.m. Learn how to create art from glass using a torch. Enrollment is \$162 with a \$50 materials fee. Call 924-7256, email [register@sharonarts.org](mailto:register@sharonarts.org) or visit [www.sharonarts.org](http://www.sharonarts.org).

• **TWEEN TUESDAYS** every Tuesday at 4 p.m. in the meeting room at the Hollis Social Library. Choose from Fantasy Book, Game Club, Craft Days, Book Buddies, or do all four. Fantasy Book Club is on the first Tuesday of every month and designed for kids who love

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reading fantasy books. Books provided at each meeting for the following month. Game Club is on the second Tuesday of every month and includes Wii, board games and snacks. Craft Days are the third Tuesday of every month. Book Buddies is the fourth Tuesday of every month and includes planning story times and crafts for preschool children. Read at after-school storytime and family pajama time

• **WII DAYS FOR TEENS** at Hollis Social Library, every other Friday, 3 p.m., for ages 12-18. Snacks and drinks provided. Sign up at the circulation desk.

• **TEEN WRITERS GROUP** at Derry Public Library (64 E. Broadway, Derry), bi-weekly. Check calendar for times. Learn about story development and listen to others' stories. Call 432-6140 or visit [www.derry.lib.nh.us](http://www.derry.lib.nh.us).

• **TEEN WRITING CLUB** at Wadleigh Memorial Library, 49 Nashua St., Milford. Free-write for the first half-hour, then read aloud (you can bring in anything you've been working on at home for this part). Call 673-2408 or visit [wadleighlibrary.org](http://wadleighlibrary.org).

• **WRITER'S BLOCK** is a group of aspiring writers who meet up every Saturday in the Library Meeting Room at the Hollis Social Library, 2 Monument Square, Hollis. Call 456-7728 after 5 p.m.

• **YOU'RE FIRED** (Bedford, 641-FIRE; Concord, 226-FIRE; Salem, 894-KILN; [yourefirednh.com](http://yourefirednh.com)) Friday Night is Teen Night and teen studio fees are \$4 (half off).

## CLUBS

### Car

• **EAST COAST CAMARO CLUB** meets on the third Sunday of every month at MacMulkin Chevrolet in Nashua. Visit [mjwrrabbit.tripod.com](http://mjwrrabbit.tripod.com) and East-CoastCamaroClub.com.

• **GATE CITY CORVETTE CLUB** meets on the second Friday of every month at 7 p.m. at MacMulkin Chevrolet in Nashua. See [gatecitycorvetteclub.com](http://gatecitycorvetteclub.com).

• **LONE WOLFE CRUISERS** hold a cruise night at Arnie's Place, 164 Loudon Road, Concord, on Tuesdays at 5 p.m. featuring the Cruiser's Choice Trophy, which honors the drivers' favorite car of the night, and the Arnie's Choice Trophy, which honors the staff's favorite car. The evening also includes raffles for prizes and a 50-50 drawing, from which half the proceeds are donated to local charities.

• **NH MUSTANG CLUB** organizes special events. Call 533-0884 or email [secretary@nhmustangclub.com](mailto:secretary@nhmustangclub.com) or visit [nhmustangclub.com](http://nhmustangclub.com).

• **NEW ENGLAND VINTAGE THUNDERBIRD CLUB** meets

# HOMEWORK HELP



Face it: High school can be hard. But the stress doesn't have to be overwhelming. Parents are invited to Hollis Brookline High School (24 Cavalier Court, Hollis) on Tuesday, Nov. 13, at 7 p.m., for "Teenology: Helping your teen succeed without additional stress." Alison Batey, a certified academic life coach, will be on hand to help parents help teenage

students organize schoolwork and homework into manageable tasks. Admission is free, but prior registration is requested. Call 672-6115 or e-mail [mgallant4@aol.com](mailto:mgallant4@aol.com).

throughout the year and sponsors events such as Thunderama. Call 859-7818 or 859-3491, email [dseymour@tds.net](mailto:dseymour@tds.net) or visit [clubsites.nevt.hemmings.com](http://clubsites.nevt.hemmings.com).

• **SPORTS CAR CLUB OF NH** Autocross events throughout the summer at the NH Motor Speedway in Loudon. Cost is \$50 for nonmembers. Go to [scnh.org](http://scnh.org) or contact Dan Francis at 235-9521.

### Hobby

• **ANIME AND MANGA CLUB** meets at Rodgers Memorial Library in Hudson. Meetings will involve book discussions, anime viewing, workshops. Visit [rodgerslibrary.org](http://rodgerslibrary.org) or call 886-6030.

• **APPLE CLUB** Nashua Public Library, 2 Court St., Nashua, meets the last Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. This club will provide local user support for Apple products. User meetings feature product demos and discussions of technology as it relates to Apple computing. Visitors are welcome. Visit [web.me.com/applepower](http://web.me.com/applepower).

• **BROWN BAG BOOK CLUB** at Manchester City Library (405 Pine St., Manchester) meets on the last Tuesday of the month from 12:15-1:30 p.m. Call 624-6550.

• **NASHUA CHESS CLUB** at Nashua Public Library (2 Court St., Nashua), Saturdays, 2-4 p.m. Call 589-4600.

• **GENEALOGY CLUB** at Rodgers Memorial Library, 194 Derry Road, Hudson, second Friday of each month, 1:30 p.m. Trade tips and techniques with others interested in family research and learn about genealogical resources located in the library. Visit [rodgerslibrary.org](http://rodgerslibrary.org) or call 886-6030, ext. 4522.

• **MANCHESTER RICHELIEU CLUB** meets the first and third Wednesday of every month at the Chateau Restaurant

at 6:30 p.m. If you speak French, enhance your enjoyment of the language by becoming a member of this club. Call Walter Parenteau at 964-6925.

• **MANCHESTER STAMP CLUB** meets on the fourth Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Villa Crest Nursing Home, 1276 Hanover St., Manchester. Call Bob Dion at 625-5082.

• **NASHUA CAMERA CLUB** meets Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at the Nashua Public Library. Each month, there are three topics chosen for competitions. Entries can be submitted either digitally or as prints. Visitors and new members are always welcome. See [nashuacameraclubnh.org](http://nashuacameraclubnh.org) or contact Dave Marden at 305-7036 or [dmarden1@myfairpoint.net](mailto:dmarden1@myfairpoint.net).

• **NH FLYING MISFITS** radio controlled flying club meets on the first Monday of every month at Goldenrod Drive-In Restaurant (1681 Candia Road, Manchester). Email [nhfmrcc@gmail.com](mailto:nhfmrcc@gmail.com) or visit [www.nhfflyingmisfits.org](http://www.nhfflyingmisfits.org).

• **NH FLYING TIGERS** radio control flying club meets the last Wednesday of every month at the B-St. Flying Field, 1 B St., or Marion Gerrish Community Center, 39 W. Broadway, Derry. Visit [newhampshireflyingtigers.org](http://newhampshireflyingtigers.org).

• **PAREI ENERGY EXCHANGE** to discuss renewable energy. Visit [plymouthenergy.org](http://plymouthenergy.org) or call 536-5030.

• **PHOTOGRAPHERS FORUM** camera club meets at Bishop Guertin High School in Nashua, on the first and third Monday of each month. This informal club offers educational programs for all ability levels and the opportunity to meet people with similar interests. Attend your first meeting free. Thereafter, dues are \$30 per year for individuals, \$50 for families; full-time students pay \$15. See [photographersforum.org](http://photographersforum.org).

## INSIDE/OUTSIDE KIDDIE POOL

### Stories

• It's **Pajamarama** time at Barnes & Noble (235 DW Highway, Nashua) Friday, Nov. 9, at 7 p.m. Head to the store's toys and games department in your comfiest pajamas for a story. If you can't make it to this week's Pajamarama, it is a recurring Friday event at the store's Nashua location. Call 888-0533.

• No one has a pet like Mr. Popper's. The classic children's book **Mr. Popper's Penguins** will come to life at the Rochester Opera House (31 Wakefield St., Rochester) on Saturday, Nov. 10, at 10 a.m., and Sunday, Nov. 11, at 2 p.m. Watch as penguins begin to populate Mr. Popper's house and learn the songs that will enhance the story, presented by the Rochester Opera House Teen Company. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children. Call 335-1992 or visit [www.rochesteroperahouse.com](http://www.rochesteroperahouse.com).

### Make stuff

• Family Saturday is back at the Currier Museum of Art (150 Ash St., Manchester). Visit the museum on Saturday, Nov. 10, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., for family art activities and a guided gallery walk. The theme for November's event is "**Creating in Clay**." Museum admission is free from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. Otherwise, admission is \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors, \$8 for students and free for children under 18. Call 669-6144 or visit [www.currier.org](http://www.currier.org).

• Visit the Meredith Public Library (91 Main St., Meredith) on Saturday, Nov. 10, to help decorate ornaments for the Altrusa Club of Meredith's Festival of Trees. From 10 a.m. to noon, visit the children's room and work on **ornaments** with a *The Hobbit* and *Lord of the Rings* theme. Recommended for older kids and teens. Call 279-4303.

• It's a packed Saturday at the Rodgers Memorial Library (194 Derry Road, Hudson). On Saturday, Nov. 10, the library will host **Craft Day** from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Vis-

always welcome.

• **RADIO CLUB** Radio Club meets first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at First Church of Nashua, 1 Concord St., Nashua. Go to [n1fd.org](http://n1fd.org).

• **SOUTHERN NH FLYING EAGLES** club meets at their flying field in Merrimack throughout the summer. Meetings are open to the public. Visit [snhflyingeagles.org](http://snhflyingeagles.org).

• **SOCRATES CAFÉ** second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at Starbucks, 1111 S. Willow St., Manchester. Contact Marc Berthiaume at [Socratescafenh@comcast.net](mailto:Socratescafenh@comcast.net).

• **SOUHEGAN VALLEY BRIDGE PLAYERS** 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Wadleigh Memorial Library, Milford; newcomers

itors can drop in to the children's room at any time to make a craft. From noon to 4 p.m., the library will have **Gaming Day**. Playdate NH will be on hand with board games, video games and role playing games for all ages. Call 886-6030 or visit [www.rodgerslibrary.org](http://www.rodgerslibrary.org).

### Play games

• There's no better way to end the school week than with a couple hours of video games. Kids in grades 3 and up can visit the Hollis Social Library (2 Monument Square, Hollis) on Friday, Nov. 9, from 2:30 to 4:45 p.m., for **Wii Friday**. Games will include but are not limited to *Guitar Hero*, *Dance Dance Revolution* and *Wii Sports*. Call 465-7721 or visit [www.hollislibrary.org](http://www.hollislibrary.org).

• Enjoy a belated celebration of **International Games Day** (which was Nov. 3) with games on Saturday, Nov. 10, at the Kelley Library (234 Main St., Salem). Visit the library from 10 a.m. to noon for board games, video games and a Scrabble tournament. Call 898-7064 or visit [www.salem.lib.nh.us](http://www.salem.lib.nh.us).

### Plants and animals

• A new nature trail just for preschoolers is now open at the Maple Hill Farm at the Beaver Brook Association (117 Ridge Road, Hollis). Visit the **Sassafras Trail** and explore the woods without undertaking a major hike. Check out the different trees and plants and be on the lookout for animal tracks on the trail. Pumpkins will line the trail to show the way. Call 465-7787 or visit [www.beaverbrook.org](http://www.beaverbrook.org).

• Learn how to take care of a fish tank in your home. Bryan Wheeler of See-Worthy Aquariums will visit the Nashua Public Library (2 Court St., Nashua) on Saturday, Nov. 10, from 11 a.m. to noon for an all-ages presentation on the best ways to care for your **pet fish**. Call 589-4600 or visit [www.nashualibrary.org](http://www.nashualibrary.org). 🐟

• **IUGO** is young professionals and is by the Greater Nashua Chamber of Commerce, [nashua-chamber.com](http://nashua-chamber.com). No cost for membership. Go to [iugonashua.com](http://iugonashua.com).

• **MANCHESTER ROTARY CLUB** meets every Monday at 12:15 p.m. at Fratello's Restaurant (155 Dow St., Manchester). Visit [manchesterr Rotary.org](http://manchesterr Rotary.org).

• **MANCHESTER YOUNG PROFESSIONALS NETWORK** meets monthly; see [mynp.org](http://mynp.org).

• **NEW HAMPSHIRE CREATIVE CLUB** is an organization of creative professionals such as graphic designers, photographers, illustrators, copywriters, desktop publishers, printers, color separators and other professionals in



# PHYSICS WITH HIGGS



A common belief among scientists is that the forms of matter humans experience on Earth only make up 4 percent of the universe. Visit the Wadleigh Memorial Library (49 Nashua St., Milford) on Wednesday, Nov. 28, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., for a discussion led by Dr. Bryan Higgs, who holds a Ph.D. in experimental particle physics from Yale University, on what the rest of the universe's matter may consist of. Call 673-2408.

related fields. The club serves as a creative forum for networking and education in the advertising and visual communications field through a series of monthly meetings that include panel discussions, presentations and workshops. Visit nhcreativeclub.org.

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

### Open houses

- **OPEN HOUSE** at UNH Manchester (400 Commercial St., Manchester), Sat., Nov. 17, at 10 a.m.
- **OPEN HOUSE** at The American College of History and Legal Studies (1 Stiles Road, Salem), Wed., Nov. 14, 7 p.m. An overview of the curriculum will be provided in addition to a question-and-answer session with deans, professors and students. Reception at 8:20 p.m. Call 458-5145, ext. 11, or email [info@achls.org](mailto:info@achls.org).
- **MEET SALEM'S 'COMPLETION' COLLEGE** at the Kelley Public Library (234 Main St., Salem), Tues., Nov. 20, 2-5 p.m. Hosted by the American College of History and Legal Studies, learn about the completion college that offers the final two years of undergraduate study. Call 458-5145, email [info@achls.org](mailto:info@achls.org) or visit [www.achls.org](http://www.achls.org).

### Adult education

- **INTRO TO PC'S** at the Meredith Public Library (91 Main St., Meredith), Thurs., Nov. 8, 2-4 p.m. Learn the parts of a PC and the basics of Windows 7. Registration is required. Call 279-4304.
- **E-BOOK TECHNOLOGY SEMINAR** at the Hollis Social Library (2 Monument Sq., Hollis) Mon., Nov. 12, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Learn how to download e-books and audio books free of charge

from the library to your personal device. Bring your device or use one supplied by the library. Registration is required. Call 465-7721 or visit [www.hollislibrary.org](http://www.hollislibrary.org).

- **LEARNING BY EAR** at the Concord Community Music School (23 Wall St., Concord), Thurs., Nov. 15, at 7 p.m., with part II Thurs., Dec., 20, at 7 p.m. Learn how to play music by ear using any instrument. Enrollment is \$15 per class. Call 228-1196 or visit [www.ccmusicschool.org](http://www.ccmusicschool.org).

- **ADULT EDUCATION** classes offered by Nashua School District at Chuck Druding Drive, Nashua, 589-6416. Nashua Adult and Community Education offers courses for adults 18+ to earn credit toward a high school diploma, driver's education program and an enrichment program with classes in arts and crafts, cooking, language, engine repair, college planning, computers and more. Courses run at night. See [nashua.edu](http://nashua.edu).

- **BROWN BAG LECTURE SERIES** at UNH Manchester (400 Commercial St., Manchester), Wednesdays at noon through Nov. 14. Bring your lunch and take in a lecture from faculty members and community figures. Lectures are free. Visit [www.manchester.unh.edu/events](http://www.manchester.unh.edu/events).

- **CONCORD TV** Concord Community TV, at Concord High School, 170 Warren St., Concord, offers classes in studio production, introduction to camera and editing for Concord residents. Prerequisite is to attend an orientation, held on the first Thurs. of the month at 6 p.m. or by appointment. Visit [yourconcordtv.org](http://yourconcordtv.org) for a class schedule and call 226-8872 to sign up.

- **CITIZENSHIP CLASSES** are held at the Adult Learning Center, 4 Lake St., Nashua, 882-9080,

ext. 201. Six-week courses prepare students for the citizenship test and aid with the citizenship application process.

- **CLASSES FOR LIFE** Concord High School's continuing education program offers computer courses, driver's education, a diploma program and youth classes. All classes held at Concord High School, 170 Warren St., Concord. Call 225-0804 or visit [classesforlife.com](http://classesforlife.com) for a list.

- **COMPUTER TRAINING** at Wilton Public and Gregg Free Library (7 Forest Road, Wilton). Training sessions are offered at no cost. Call 654-2581 or email [billb@wiltonlibrarynh.org](mailto:billb@wiltonlibrarynh.org).

- **COMPUTER WORKSHOPS** at Hollis Social Library, 2 Monument Square, Hollis, every Wednesday 7-8 p.m. Sign up for a half-hour of one-on-one instruction on basic computer skills. Registration is required for one of four time slots. Call 465-7721.

- **FREE COLLEGE AND HIGH SCHOOL COURSES** on CD at Nashua Public Library, 2 Court St., Nashua, 589-4603. Nashua Public Library cardholders can borrow any of 33 full-length college and high-school courses on CD and DVD covering a wide range of subjects from religion to astronomy to poetry.

- **FREE ESL CLASSES** offered by Adult Learner Services of Greater Derry. Morning classes will be held Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to noon, at the Marion Gerrish Community Center, 39 W. Broadway, Derry. Evening classes will be held Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Gilbert H. Hood Middle School, 5 Hood Road, Derry. Call 432-1907 for next session dates, or email [rcatp@yahoo.com](mailto:rcatp@yahoo.com). See [greaterderryliteracy.org](http://greaterderryliteracy.org).

- **FREE GED PREP CLASSES** offered by Adult Learner Services of Greater Derry, at the Marion Gerrish Community Center, 39 W. Broadway, Derry. \$20 cash book deposit is required for registration. Call 432-1907 for next session dates, or email [rcatp@yahoo.com](mailto:rcatp@yahoo.com). See [greaterderryliteracy.org](http://greaterderryliteracy.org).

- **INTRODUCTION TO THE INTERNET** at the Pelham Public Library (24 Village Green, Pelham), Fri., Nov. 16, at 10 a.m. Learn how to browse the Internet and navigate websites. Call 635-7581.

- **INTERMEDIATE PC'S** at the Meredith Public Library (91 Main St., Meredith), Thurs., Nov. 29, 2-4 p.m. Learn about file management and how to use the control panel. Call 279-4303.

- **LEARNING INSTITUTE OF NEW ENGLAND COLLEGE** offers non-credit, peer-led, peer-taught courses at a nominal fee to members, open to both retired and younger adults who enjoy learning for its own pleasure.

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# Forcing bulbs for spring

Timing is the key to success

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Winters can be hard on many gardeners: short dark days, icy roads and little to do in the garden. Yes, I like to snowshoe and cross-country ski, but it doesn't replace gardening. I water my houseplants (and occasionally talk to them), but they are weak substitutes for the real thing. By the time mud season comes in March, I want blooming flowers to brighten my life.

I get early blossoms in two ways: First, I have early bulb plants outdoors, including hundreds of snowdrops that bloom in March. And second, I force bulbs to bloom early indoors. Now is the time to plant bulbs so that they will bloom when we need them the most, a month or two before they bloom outdoors.

In order to prepare bulbs for early blooming indoors, you will need a place to store them that is cold but not as cold as the outdoors. Despite global warming, I still see -20 degrees every winter, even if for only a few days. Bulbs planted in the ground have some protection against the cold, but if you were to plant bulbs in pots and leave them outside, the

extreme temperatures would kill most. Bulbs left in a cool basement or garage will do just fine.

Ideally temperatures for bulbs used for forcing will be between 33 and 50, though a few days of below freezing temperatures is not a problem (my basement often goes below freezing). Left in a warm location, the bulbs will grow green tops, but not blossoms.

Bulbs can be planted for forcing in pots or window boxes. Good drainage is important to avoid rotting the bulbs, so don't plant them in ordinary garden soil. I think an ideal mix is one that has half compost and half potting mix. I want the mix to be lightly moist at planting time, but not soggy. Once a month I check the pots to make sure the soil is not bone dry; if it is, I water lightly.

When planting daffodils or tulips outdoors, I plant them 6 to 8 inches deep but that is not necessary when planting bulbs in pots. Depending on the type of container I use, the pointy tips of my bulbs may be just an inch or two below the soil surface. And I plant them shoulder-to-shoulder, crowding in as many bulbs as possible in the container. After they finish blooming in the spring I will plant the bulbs outside, but

for now they have everything they need to bloom inside the house.

Timing is key to success with forced bulbs. Little bulbs like crocus need just 8 to 10 weeks of dormancy, but daffodils need 12 weeks, and tulips do better with more, up to 16 weeks. Choose bulbs that are marked "Good for Forcing" or that are listed as "early" rather than mid-season or late. If you are selecting bulbs now, make sure that they are still firm, not papery and dried out. And if you see them with long green sprouts, pass them by.

Beware of mice. If you have mice, they will eat your tulips unless you exclude them somehow — with wire mesh screening, for example. Daffodils are lightly poisonous, so mice don't eat them.

You can maximize blooming by planting two layers of bulbs. I often use those 8-inch pots that perennials come in for forcing. They are not elegant, but can be dressed up with wrapping paper or baskets when displayed on the table. I put in an inch of gravel, an inch or two of soil mix, then daffodils or tulips. I cover them with soil, and then add a second layer of bulbs. The small bulbs like crocus work well for a second layer. Leave a little space at the top of



Forcing bulbs. Henry Homeyer photo.

the pot for watering.

When planting two layers of bulbs I used to worry about the big bulbs coming up and pushing the little ones aside like playground bullies. So I carefully placed the little ones above the spaces between daffodils. I even used broom straws to show me where to plant. But one year I just put them in without worrying about crowding and every bulb did fine. Plants know more than we give them credit for, I think.

When you take your plants out of their cold resting spot, most will begin to grow almost immediately. I generally start mine off in a cool location in the house, and once they have fully woken up I put them on a sunny, warm win-

dowsill. A trick for prolonging their blooms (which also works with cut flowers from the florist) is to move the flowers into a cold mudroom or entryway at night. Cool temperatures prolong the life of your flowers.

So go to your local feed-and-grain store, garden center or food coop; get some bulbs and prepare them for forcing. Come March, you'll be ready for spring and will have some flowers ready to perform their annual dance before their cousins outside do.

*Henry Homeyer has a new children's chapter book that just came out: Wobar and the Quest for the Magic Calumet. Read about it at [www.henryhomeyer.com](http://www.henryhomeyer.com).* 🍌

**ING CENTER** (4 Lake St., Nashua, 882-9080, [adultlearning-center.org](http://adultlearning-center.org)) offers classes in basic adult education, GED preparation, ESOL classes, adult learner services, computer and job training, and community education.

• **OLLI COURSES** The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute provides classes, lectures and field trips for adults age 50+ through Granite State College, 513-1377, [granite.edu](http://granite.edu). Membership costs \$40; costs vary for individual classes. Some classes are multi-week and some are one day only. Classes are on arts, literature, history, personal finance and more. See online schedule.

## Professional development

• **CHILDREN'S PUBLISHING WORKSHOP** at the Nackey S. Loeb School of Communications (749 E. Industrial Park Drive, Manchester), Sat., Nov. 17, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Learn how to develop an idea for a book into a children's book. Call 627-0005 or visit [www.loebsschool.org](http://www.loebsschool.org).

• **PUBLIC DIALOGUE**

**FACILITATOR TRAINING** on Sat., Dec. 8, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., in the Lancaster area, and Fri., Jan. 11, 1-7 p.m. in the Manchester area. Learn how to go from conversation to actions pertaining to public work. Enrollment will range from \$0-\$25 and exact locations will be announced after registration. Visit [www.nhlistens.org/how-it-works](http://www.nhlistens.org/how-it-works).

• **MEDICAL OFFICE COURSES** weekly at the Office Technology Training Program in Nashua. Nashua Adult Learning Center, 882-9080, ext. 218, [adultlearningcenter.org](http://adultlearningcenter.org).

• **NURSING ASSISTANT PROGRAM** from the American Red Cross, Granite Chapter Office (2 Maitland St., Concord, 225-6697 or 1-800-464-6692), teaches students how to care for residents in long-term facilities/home/hospitals in a licensed nursing assistant eight-week program. Registration fee is \$50 and course tuition is \$1,200. Must be 16 years old; high school diploma or GED not required.

• **RECIPE FOR SUCCESS** culinary job training program at

the NH Food Bank, Manchester, [nhfoodbank.org](http://nhfoodbank.org), offers training and experience to unemployed and under-employed adults who wish to obtain jobs in the food service industry. Students earn 260 hours of commercial cooking and food safety skills, resume development and effective interview techniques. Contact 669-9725.

## CRAFTS

### Fairs/Exhibits

• **NOT YOUR GRANDMA'S CRAFT FAIR** at McDonough Elementary School (550 Lowell St., Manchester) on Sat., Nov. 10, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. More than 60 vendors will be selling arts, crafts and homemade food. Live music and demonstrations; support the Manchester Animal Shelter and Manchester Police Wives Association. Admission is free. [www.notyourgrandmascraftfair.org](http://www.notyourgrandmascraftfair.org).

• **GIFT IN HAND** at Canterbury Shaker Village (288 Shaker Road, Canterbury), Fri., Nov. 9, Sat., Nov. 10, and Sun., Nov. 11, 10 a.m.-11 p.m. Crafters and artisans will be selling items designed to

be holiday gifts. Admission is free. Call 783-9077 or visit [www.shakers.org](http://www.shakers.org).

• **NEW ENGLAND CRAFT & SPECIALTY FOOD FAIR** at Rockingham Park (Rockingham Park Blvd., Salem), Fri., Nov. 9, Sat., Nov. 10, and Sun., Nov. 11, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. More than 250 craft makers will be on hand and a food sampling will be available. Tickets are \$7 and last all three days. Children younger than 14 are admitted free. Visit [www.castleberryfairs.com](http://www.castleberryfairs.com).

• **MERRIMACK COUNTY ARTISANS CRAFT FAIR** at Bektash Shrine (189 Pembroke Road, Concord), Sat., Nov. 10, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Admission is free. Email [merifred@comcast.net](mailto:merifred@comcast.net).

• **HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR** at New Searles Elementary (39 Shady Lane, Nashua), Sat., Nov. 17, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Vendors, raffles, food and a visit from Santa will be available throughout the day. Admission is free. Visit schools. [nashua.edu/newsearles/Pages/Welcome.aspx](http://nashua.edu/newsearles/Pages/Welcome.aspx).

• **HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR**

**AND PENNY SALE** at Nashua High School South (36 Riverside Drive, Nashua), Sat., Nov. 17, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Visit with crafters and vendors and participate in a penny sale raffle and cookie walk. The fair is presented by the Nashua High School South Music Boosters and proceeds will benefit the school's music department. Parking and admission is free. Email [petersa@nashuasouthmusic.org](mailto:petersa@nashuasouthmusic.org).

## Knitting

• **BROOKLINE PUBLIC LIBRARY** (16 Main St., Brookline, 673-3330, [brookline.nh.us](http://brookline.nh.us)) has a knitting, crocheting and cross-stitch group that meets Mondays at 6 p.m. The group is informal and drop-ins are welcome.

• **DROP-IN KNITTING CLUB** Hollis Social Library, 2 Monument Square, Hollis, every Tuesday, 3-4 p.m. Call 465-7721. Meet, mingle and trade yarns with local knitters. Compare patterns, sharing techniques and trading tips. Drop in, no signup required.

• **DROP-IN STITCHERS** Fridays, 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m., at Rod-

gers Memorial Library, 194 Derry Road (Route 102), Hudson. Work on knitting, crocheting, cross-stitching or any other needlework project with company, and pass the time while sharing ideas and techniques for future work. Call 886-6030.

• **THE ELEGANT EWE** (71 S. Main St., Concord, 226-0066, [elegantewe.com](http://elegantewe.com)) offers a variety of knitting classes and workshops, as well as classes in felting and spinning.

• **FRIDAY NIGHT KNITTING CLUB** every Friday 6-10 p.m. at the Yarn and Fiber Co. (11 Manchester Road, Derry, [yarnandfiber.com](http://yarnandfiber.com)). Open project, no fee. Bring an existing project or start a new one. Call 505-4432.

• **HOOKSETT PUBLIC LIBRARY** (31 Mount Saint Mary's Way, Hooksett, 485-6092, [hooksetlibrary.org](http://hooksetlibrary.org)) hosts a learning-to-knit circle every Friday, 1-2 p.m., in the adult room of the library. Tea and coffee are served.

• **KELLEY LIBRARY** (234 Main St., Salem, 898-7064, [kelleylibrary.org](http://kelleylibrary.org)) has a knitting



# CHALLENGE



Make a team and demonstrate your collective strength on Saturday, Nov. 10, at the NLP Fitness Rampage. The team fitness challenge will begin at 9 a.m. at the NLP Strength and Condition Center (31 S. Commercial St., Manchester). Teams of four will be subjected to 12 challenges, including a tire flip, car push, wall climb and endurance runs. Registration is \$75 for individuals or \$270 for a full team. Proceeds benefit the Norris Cotton Cancer Center. Call 627-7500 or visit [www.nlprampage.com](http://www.nlprampage.com). Pictured: The tire flip at a previous NLP Rampage. Courtesy photo.

circle on Mondays at 7 p.m. and Wednesdays at 1 p.m. The weekly gatherings are open to Salem knitters of all skill levels. Members answer questions, offer tips and share techniques. No registration is required. Crocheters are welcome, too.

• **KNIT 1, CROCHET 2** drop-in stitch-fests held at Wadleigh Memorial Library, 49 Nashua St., Milford, 673-2408, the first and fourth Mondays of each month, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Bring a project and be inspired. Beginners will be able to get help selecting a project and the necessary supplies. There won't be formal instruction, but members of the group help each other. Tea is served.

• **KNIT WITS** meets at the Chester Public Library, 3 Chester St., Chester, the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Work on a craft, chat with others and share knowledge. This group is open to all who like to sew, crochet, knit and/or stitch. Contact the library at 887-3404.

• **KNITTING CLUB** every Tuesday at the Hollis Social Library, 3-4 p.m. in the library meeting room. Meet, mingle and trade yarns with local knitters. Have fun comparing patterns, sharing techniques and trading tips on stitches, sweaters and mittens. Drop in, no signup required.

• **KNITTING CLUB** every Friday, at 11 a.m., at West Manchester Library, 76 N. Main St., Manchester, 624-6560. Both experienced and novice knitters are invited to attend. No registration required.

• **NASHUA PUBLIC LIBRARY** (2 Court St., Nashua, 589-4600, [nashualibrary.org](http://nashualibrary.org)) hosts a knit-

ting group every Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

• **NEEDLES AND SHUTTLES** meets in The Fiber Studio, Foster Hill Road, Henniker. This informal group welcomes new and experienced knitters to share skills and conversation. Bring a knitting project. Call 428-7830.

• **NESMITH KNITTERS** meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at Nesmith Library (8 Fellows Road, Windham, 432-7154, [nesmithlibrary.org](http://nesmithlibrary.org)). All skills and ages welcome.

• **NEW ENGLAND FABRICS** (55 Ralston St., Keene, 352-8683, [newenglandfabrics.com](http://newenglandfabrics.com)) has offered classes in sewing, knitting, quilting and more. Call for the current schedule.

• **SOCKS ON A 12-INCH CIRCULAR NEEDLE** at the Yarn and Fiber Co. (11 Manchester Road, Derry, [yarnandfiber.com](http://yarnandfiber.com)) on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$40. Call 505-4432.

• **ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL** in Nashua is looking for volunteers to help knit or crochet comfort shawls for patients who may be seriously ill, undergoing medical procedures, emotionally or physically traumatized, seeking hope and healing or grieving. The need for shawls is ongoing and frequently the supply becomes depleted. Contact the Spiritual Care Department at St. Joseph Hospital at 882-3000, ext. 67800. You will receive more information and a brochure with both knitting and crocheting instructions.

• **STITCHING SOCIALS** at the Spotted Sheep Yarn Shoppe (9 Church St., Goffstown), every

Sunday, 1-3 p.m. Knit, crochet and talk with other crafters. Admission is free. Call 660-1115 or visit [www.spottedsheep yarnshoppe.com](http://www.spottedsheep yarnshoppe.com).

• **YARN AND FIBER CO.** (11 Manchester Road, Derry, 505-4432, [yarnandfiber.com](http://yarnandfiber.com)) offers classes in knitting, as well as Friday night knitting club and classes focused on a single piece.

## Quilting

• **AMETHYST ROSE QUILT SHOP** (37 Crystal Ave., Unit 5, Derry, [theamethystrosequiltshop.com](http://theamethystrosequiltshop.com), 489-8161) offers open quilt times, project-specific classes and more.

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• **HANNAH DUSTIN QUILT GUILD** meets at Hudson Community Center, 12 Lions Ave., Hudson. Meetings are on the first Monday of the month through June. Go to [hannahdusting.org](http://hannahdusting.org) or call Elyse at 635-7436.

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# There's no easy fix for this oil leak



Dear Tom and Ray:

OK, this is going to be a bit of a long story -- sorry. As a college graduation present, my father got me a used 2004 Mercury Sable with 189,938 miles on it. When he gave it to me, he said it had only a small oil leak, but that leak turned out to be coming from the oil pan, and it's more than a small leak. I have to fill it every three to four weeks, which is getting expensive. So I took it to a friend, who is also a mechanic, and he discovered that my oil pan is welded in place, not screwed on, like it should be. So we are at a loss as to how to remove it and replace it without things getting really expensive. My friend thinks we should drop the engine and try it that way. What do you think we should do? —Kylee

RAY: I'd say fill it with oil every three to four weeks and start applying for sales jobs, because they sometimes come with company cars.

TOM: You're in a lousy situation here, Kylee. Your oil pan is leaking, most likely because the gasket failed. Normally, that's a pain in the neck, but not a horrible repair.

But I'm guessing that at some point in this car's recent past, someone broke off the bolts that attach the oil pan to the engine block.

RAY: That would explain why they welded it back in place. The proper solution would have been to drill out the broken bolts and tap new holes, and use slightly bigger bolts to reattach the pan. But that's a big and treacherous job, so they took the easy way out.

TOM: Your friend is suggesting that you do that job now, because it requires pulling out the engine.

RAY: But before you go to that length for a car with close to 200,000 miles on it, try a simpler solution. Start by thoroughly cleaning the area where the oil pan meets the engine block. Use a good solvent, like Brake Kleen. You can reach most of the oil pan from underneath the car with minimal removal of nearby parts.

TOM: Once it's been really well-cleaned, remove any rubber gasket material that's hanging out, and then lay a bead of silicone caulk on the seam. There's a type of silicone caulk that's impervious to oil, which you can get at parts stores, and that's the stuff you want.

RAY: I would start by putting a thin layer of the caulk where the pan meets the block, and let it dry overnight. Then apply another layer the next day. Even if it doesn't completely stop the oil leak, it may slow it down.

TOM: And that'll give you time to shop around for some really cheap cases of oil. Good luck, Kylee.

Dear Tom and Ray:

I just spoke to two different tire shops and got opposite answers to the same question. The right-side tire on my pickup is wearing quicker than the left. I have radial tires. I assumed it was normal, due to the way the differential works. One tire shop told me that I should be rotating in a cross pattern, while the other tire shop said that I should be rotating only front to rear. I was always told that reversing the tire rotation caused tire separation. Which answer is correct? —Eddie

TOM: Well, neither shop gave you the advice you really needed, Eddie. They should have told you that you need a wheel alignment.

RAY: Right. A right-side tire shouldn't be wearing any differently from the one on the left side. So if it is, something's mechanically wrong, and rather than rotate your tires and chew up another (now good) one, you should get that problem diagnosed and addressed first.

TOM: Depending on whether it's the front or rear right tire and what kind of suspension you have, a single tire can go out of alignment because the frame got bent in an accident, or because one or more of the suspension parts got bent or simply wore out. So the first thing you need is a good, old-fashioned four-wheel alignment -- along with whatever repairs are necessary to get the wheels to actually align.

RAY: Then, once your truck is properly aligned, you can absolutely cross the tires. You can cross all of them in an "X" pattern, or you can cross just the two you move to the front. Or cross just the two

that you move to the rear. If you have a full-size spare, you can add that into the rotation, cross three of them, put the spare on the right rear and toss the leftover tire in the trunk. Your options are limited only by your talent for origami and your ability to count.

TOM: There are a few exceptions. You can cross the tires only if you have the same size tires on all four wheels. If you have a muscle car, for instance, in which your rear wheels and tires are larger than your fronts, obviously, you can rotate only from side to side.

RAY: And if you have directional tires (some high-performance tires have treads that are designed to go only in one direction), you can rotate only front to back on the same side.

TOM: But for most people, tires can and should be crossed when they're rotated to even out the wear patterns and the pace at which they wear out. 🍌

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• **PINE TREE QUILT SHOP** (224 N. Broadway, Salem, 870-8100, [pinetreequiltshop.com](http://pinetreequiltshop.com)) offers quilting classes for all levels of ability. See website for a complete list.

• **STITCHING UP THE WORLD** is a nonprofit group

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**Scrapbooking & paper**

• **FREE CROP** at Scrappin' Soul Sisters (7 Perley St., Concord, [scrappinsoulsisters.com](http://scrappinsoulsisters.com)) Tuesdays 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• **MARY'S MEMORIES** (12 Clark Road, Milford, 249-8978, [marysmemories.com](http://marysmemories.com)) offers individual lessons, one-session workshops and a basic scrapbooking class.

• **NH SCRAPBOOK CABIN** 294 Route 101 at Greeley Point in Amherst (next to Salzburg Square), [nhscrapbookcabin.com](http://nhscrapbookcabin.com), 769-3333, offers a variety of scrapbooking classes.

• **PAPER TECHNIQUES** workshops will be held at Rodgers Memorial Library, 194 Derry

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• **SCRAPBOOK ISLAND** (15 W. Broadway, Derry, 421-2881, [derryscrapbookisland.com](http://derryscrapbookisland.com)) offers various classes along with Ladies Layout Night Club on the first Wednesday of the month. Visit the website for a full list of classes.

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**Sewing**

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• **LEVESQUE SEWING MACHINE** (1261 Hooksett Road, Hooksett, 645-1661, [levesquesewvac.com](http://levesquesewvac.com)) offers classes from beginner to advanced in sewing and quilting. Classes are scheduled according to demand; call to find out about availability.

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Tuesday of every month, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Main Street Bookends (16 E. Main St., Warner, 456-2700, [mainstreetbookends.com](http://mainstreetbookends.com)).  
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### Other

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**• BEADING GROUPS** PROJECTS at the Rodgers Memorial

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**• BEADING TECHNIQUES ON FABRIC** at Bead Bush Studio (43 Mount Delight Road, Deerfield), Fri., Nov. 9, 10 a.m.-noon. Beaders, quilters and crafters are all welcome at this class. Enrollment is \$35. Call 463-7683 or visit [www.beadbush.com](http://www.beadbush.com).  
**• INTUITIVE DRAWING** at the League of NH Craftsmen (98 Main St., Nashua), Sat., Nov. 10, 1-4 p.m. Learn drawing techniques with graphite and charcoal. Learn about mass, volume and three-dimensional aspects of drawing. For ages 16 and older. Class is \$30 with a \$10 materials fee. Call 595-8233 or email [nashuarg@nhcrafts.org](mailto:nashuarg@nhcrafts.org).  
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**• HOLIDAY WOODWORKING PROJECTS** at the Hooksett Library (31 Mount Saint Mary's Way, Hooksett), Thurs., Nov. 29, at 6:30 p.m. Stephen Carey will be on hand to demonstrate different woodworking projects for beginners. Admission is free. Visit [www.hooksettlibrary.org](http://www.hooksettlibrary.org).

**• MOSAIC TRAY** at Kast Hill Studio (195 Kast Hill Road, Hopkinton), Sat., Dec. 1, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and Sun., Dec. 2, 9-11 a.m. Create a tray using mosaic techniques. Class is \$50. Call 746-6745, email [lizzvansaun@tds.net](mailto:lizzvansaun@tds.net) or visit [www.kasthillstudio.com](http://www.kasthillstudio.com).

**• WEAWE A HEN BASKET** at the League of NH Craftsmen (98 Main St., Nashua), Sat., Dec. 1, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Learn the techniques to create a hen basket. For ages 14 and older. Tuition is \$60 with a \$35 material fee. Call 595-8233, email [nashuarg@nhcrafts.org](mailto:nashuarg@nhcrafts.org) or visit [www.nhcrafts.org/localsites/nashua/index.html](http://www.nhcrafts.org/localsites/nashua/index.html).

**• EARRINGS IN A DAY** at the League of NH Craftsmen (98 Main St., Nashua), Sun., Dec. 2, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Create your own earrings from beads and wire. For ages 14 and older. Tuition is \$70 with a \$20 material fee. Call 595-8233, email [nashuarg@nhcrafts.org](mailto:nashuarg@nhcrafts.org) or visit [www.nhcrafts.org/localsites/nashua/index.html](http://www.nhcrafts.org/localsites/nashua/index.html).

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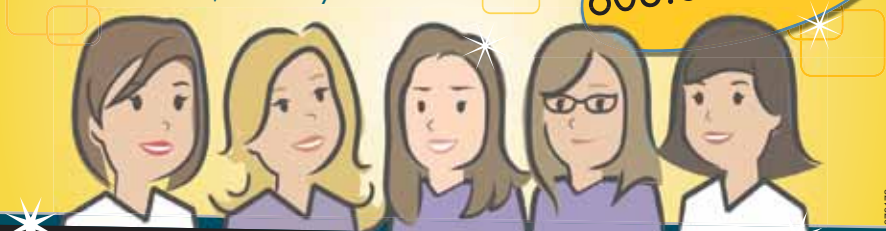
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# Relax and share ideas

Science café puts big topics on the table

By Cory Francer  
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A concept born in Europe more than 20 years ago to bring science into local pubs and cafés has found a home in New Hampshire. Every month, scientists from around the area turn in their lab coats and notebooks for a beer and a burger and an informal, open discussion on topics that all Granite Staters can relate to.

Science Café New Hampshire has been visiting The Barley House (132 N. Main St., Concord, 228-6363) for about a year and a half. The grassroots organization has hosted professors, astronomers, doctors and many other experts to bring their knowledge to the public in a comfortable setting.

Dan Marcek, the co-founder of Science Café New Hampshire, said he learned of the topic while traveling for work in Houston. With a background in computer science and a desire to educate, Marcek said that, upon returning home, he couldn't shake the idea of starting a Science Café organization in New Hampshire. Having the cafés in a bar or restaurant environment was an essential part of the organization's development.

"That's intentional," Marcek said. "Some may do it in audi-

torium or in a school setting, but we chose to focus on educating adults. We wanted a bar setting where people can relax."

Over the many months the Café has operated, it has focused on a variety of topics. Marcek said he and co-founder Sarah Eck keep a close eye on what science-related topics are in the news and whether they affect the general population. October's topic focused on concussions. Marcek said other popular topics have included climate change, food sources and Lyme disease.

The discussions are held in the downstairs portion of the Barley House, which is fully equipped with couches. Brian Shea, the restaurant's owner, said he has been impressed with how seamlessly science can fit into a bar setting.

"They always do current topics and discussions," Shea said. "It's not bland stuff that people will doze off with. It's stuff that affects us every day."

Marcek said he is hoping to appeal to a younger demographic and may include topics in the future on the science of brewing beer and the science of love.

"One of our goals is to educate young people," Marcek said. "Part of having it in bars is to have a place for younger people to go."

On Tuesday, Nov. 13, the top-

ic will focus on light pollution and dark skies. Marcek said New Hampshire has commonly been considered a location with little light pollution and where dark skies are plentiful. And while he said it may not be a topic that many in the state have at the forefront of their minds, it is becoming a concern in the area.

Dave McDonald, the director of education at the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center, will be one of the panelists at the upcoming café. McDonald said by losing dark sky space, professional and amateur astronomers have been directly affected.

"We have a good number of spots in which we still have dark skies, even some in the southern area of the state," McDonald said. "One of the things I think is important is to maintain and to keep the dark skies we have."

The discussions are moderated by David Brooks, a science columnist for The Telegraph and author of the Granite Geek blog. Prior to each Science Café, Shea said, Brooks will provide a sneak preview of the topic in his column to allow potential visitors to investigate the subject before the event.

Though Marcek said he chose Concord to be the location of Science Café New Hampshire because of its central location in



Panelists discuss a topic at a previous Science Café New Hampshire event at The Barley House in Concord. Photo courtesy of Sarah Eck.

the state, he said he is working to spread the initiative to other regions. He said a Science Café has been started in the Dartmouth College area that focuses on education and another will be getting started in the seacoast region at the University of New Hampshire.

Marcek said he is determined to expand further north. That area, he said, is affected by numerous science-related topics and it is important to get the residents of the North Country involved in the conversation.

"It's one of the neglected parts of the state," Marcek said. "I'm focused on up north and bringing those people into these topics so it gives them an opportunity to be part of it."

Because there is not always an opportunity present for the public to interact with scientists in a comfortable setting where questions are comments

are encouraged, McDonald said Science Cafés provide an opportunity where facts can be presented and opinions can be shared and questioned by anyone.

"People love to go places where ideas are challenged and bantered about," he said. "They may leave with a new, informed perspective." 🍷

## Science Café New Hampshire

**When:** Tuesday, Nov. 13, from 7 to 9 p.m. Typically, the discussions are held on the third Thursday of the month, with the exception of December, July and August.

**Where:** The Barley House, 132 N. Main St., Concord

**Admission:** Free. Come early and receive a 10-percent discount on dinner. Visit [www.science-cafenh.org](http://www.science-cafenh.org).

a.m.-2 p.m. Learn how to create glass ornaments with a winter theme. Enrollment is \$66 with a \$30 materials fee. Call 924-7256, email [register@sharonarts.org](mailto:register@sharonarts.org) or visit [www.sharonarts.org](http://www.sharonarts.org).

• **MOSAIC BIRDHOUSE** at Kast Hill Studio (195 Kast Hill Road, Hopkinton), Sat., Dec. 8, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., and Sun., Dec. 9, 9-11 a.m. Class is \$45. Create a birdhouse using mosaic techniques. Call 746-6745, email [lizzvansaun@tds.net](mailto:lizzvansaun@tds.net) or visit [www.kasthillstudio.com](http://www.kasthillstudio.com).

• **PRECIOUS METAL CLAY PENDANTS** at Sharon Arts Center (457 Route 123, Sharon), Sat., Dec. 8, and Sun., Dec. 9, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Learn how to create jewelry pieces with precious metal clay pendants. Enrollment is \$138. Call 924-7256, email [register@sharonarts.org](mailto:register@sharonarts.org) or visit [www.sharonarts.org](http://www.sharonarts.org).

• **MOSAIC SHELF** at Kast Hill Studio (195 Kast Hill Road, Hop-

kinton), Sat., Dec. 15, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., and Sun., Dec. 16, 9-11 a.m. Create a shelf for your house using mosaic techniques. Class is \$50. Call 746-6745, email [lizzvansaun@tds.net](mailto:lizzvansaun@tds.net) or visit [www.kasthillstudio.com](http://www.kasthillstudio.com).

• **BEAD PLAYDATE** at Bead Bush Studio (43 Mount Delight Road, Deerfield), every Thursday, 10 a.m.-noon. Create bead projects and get help with existing projects. Admission is free and registration is not required. Call 463-7683 or visit [www.bead-bush.com](http://www.bead-bush.com).

## DANCE

• **Arthur Murray Dance Studio** 99 Elm St., Manchester, 624-6857, [learntodancetoday.com](http://learntodancetoday.com)  
• **Bliss Healing Arts Center** 250 Commercial St. # 2007, 624-0080, [blisshealing.com](http://blisshealing.com)  
• **Dance International Studio** 83 Hanover St., Manchester, 858-0162, [importers-exporters.com/DIS.htm](mailto:importers-exporters.com/DIS.htm)

• **Kathy Blake Dance Studios** 3 Northern Blvd. in Amherst, 673-3978, [kathyblakedancesstudios.com](http://kathyblakedancesstudios.com)

• **Krystal Ballroom Dance Studio** 352 S. Broadway, Salem, 870-9350, [krystalballroom.com](http://krystalballroom.com)

• **Let's Dance Studio** 5 North Main St., Concord, 228-2800, [letsdancenh.com](http://letsdancenh.com)

• **Mill-A-Round Dance Center** 250 Commercial St., Manchester, 641-3880, [millaround.com](http://millaround.com)

• **Miss Kelsey's Dance Studio** 2626 Brown Ave, Manchester, 03103, 603-606-2820, [mkdance.com](http://mkdance.com)

• **Paper Moon Dance Center** 515 DW Hwy., Merrimack, 429-1100, [papermoondance.com](http://papermoondance.com).

• **Queen City Ballroom** 21 Dow St., Manchester, 622-1500, [queencityballroomnh.com](http://queencityballroomnh.com)

• **Royal Palace Dance Studio** 167 Elm St., Manchester, 621-9119, [royalpalacedance.com](http://royalpalacedance.com)

• **Senior Activity Center** 70 Temple St., Nashua, 889-

6155

• **Steppin' Out Dance Studio** 1201 Westford St., Lowell, Mass., 978-452-1111, [steppinout-dance-lowell.com](http://steppinout-dance-lowell.com)

## Ballroom classes & dances

• **ARGENTINE TANGO** at Queen City Ballroom (21 Dow St., second floor, Manchester) on Sundays. Randy Avis teaches Beginning Tango 3-4 p.m., and Welcome Back to Argentine Tango runs 4:30-5:30 p.m. Practice sessions 4-4:30 and 5:30-6 p.m. Available for 1:30-2:30 p.m. by special requests. \$12 drop-in rate, \$5 for Practica only. Call 547-0402 or email [randy@itan-gonh.com](mailto:randy@itan-gonh.com).

• **ARTHUR MURRAY DANCE STUDIO** (99 Elm St., Manchester, 624-6857, [arthurmurray.com](http://arthurmurray.com)) offers classes in ballroom and a variety of other styles. There are also classes specifically for wedding instruction. Email [info@amdsnh.com](mailto:info@amdsnh.com).

• **BEGINNER BALLROOM SAMPLER CLASSES** at the Queen City Ballroom Dance Studio (21 Dow St., Second Floor, Manchester), Sundays, 4-4:45 p.m. Learn steps of 12 ballroom dances, which each class focusing on two dances. Cost is \$5 per person and new dancers take their first class free. No registration is required. Call 622-1500, email [QnCityBalm@aol.com](mailto:QnCityBalm@aol.com) or visit [www.queencityballroomnh.com](http://www.queencityballroomnh.com).

• **BALLET AND TAP** at Green Street Community Center Dance Studio (39 Green St., Concord). For ages 2-7. Check [www.ci.concord.nh.us/recreation](http://www.ci.concord.nh.us/recreation) for times and prices.

• **BALLROOM PARTY** Sunday nights 6-9 p.m. at Queen City Ballroom Dance Studio, 21 Dow St., 2nd floor, Manchester. These parties are beginner-friendly with mixer dances and light refreshments. Hardwood floor, recorded music, friendly crowd, smoke-

and alcohol-free. Singles and couples welcome. Bring a change of shoes to protect the dance floor. Start any week, and get free admission your first time. Costs \$9 per person. No registration required. Call 622-1500 or visit [queencityballroomnh.com](http://queencityballroomnh.com).

• **CHOREOGRAPHED BALLROOM LESSONS** at the Circle 9 Ranch, 39 Windymere Drive, Epsom, Thursdays at 7 p.m. Visit [circle9ranch.com](http://circle9ranch.com) or call 736-9656.

• **FOX TROT AND WALTZ** Royal Palace Dance Studio on Thursdays, 6:15-7 p.m. is beginner foxtrot and 7-7:45 p.m. is intermediate waltz. Visit [royalpalacedance.com](http://royalpalacedance.com) or call 621-9119.

• **HUSTLE** at Queen City Ballroom, 21 Dow St., 2nd floor, Manchester, every Monday night. Beginner class 6:45-7:30 p.m. and intermediate class 8:15-9 p.m. Costs \$10 per person per



## WIN A TURKEY



Tons of raffles and tons of turkeys will highlight the night at the Merrimack Public Library's third annual Turkey Shoot. Visit Merrimack High School cafeteria (38 McElwain St., Merrimack) on Thursday, Nov. 15, at 6:45 p.m., and be one of the winners of prizes that include 40 turkeys, 40 bags of vegetables, 40 gallons of cider and 40 apple pies. Proceeds benefit the Merrimack Public Library Building and Development Fund. Call 424-5021. Pictured: winners of a previous Turkey Shoot. Courtesy photo.

class. Singles and couples are welcome, as well as drop-ins. Call 622-1500, email QnCityB-alm@aol.com or visit queencyballroomnh.com.

• **KATHY BLAKE DANCE STUDIO** (3 Northern Blvd., Amherst, 673-3978, kathyblakedances.com) offers Latin, swing and ballroom dance classes as well as jazz, hip-hop, tap and other styles strictly for adults.

• **LET'S DANCE STUDIO** (5 Main St., Concord, 228-2800, letsdanceh.com) has group classes, private lessons, practice sessions, monthly balls, workshops and wedding dance instruction. Dances taught include tango, waltz, foxtrot, hustle, salsa, merengue, swing, cha-cha and ballroom. Ballroom and Argentine dancing every Thurs., 8-10 p.m., cost is \$5.

• **LONDONDERRY DANCE ACADEMY** (21 Buttrick Road, 432-0032, londonderrydance.com) Ballet, pointe, hip-hop, tap, jazz, contemporary, creative movement, pre-dance, yoga, body conditioning and adult ballet. Home of the New England Dance Ensemble and the Triple Threat Theater Camp.

• **MILL-A-ROUND DANCE CENTER** (250 Commercial St., Manchester, 641-3880, millaround.com) offers classes in line, round and square dancing.

• **NASHUA COMMUNITY COLLEGE** (505 Amherst St., Nashua, 882-7022, nashuacc.edu) offers classes for couple in ballroom, Latin and waltz.

• **OPEN DANCE AND THEME BALL** hosted by Let's Dance Studio in Concord every Thurs., 8-10 p.m. Cost is \$5 per person per visit or advance payment \$45 for 3 months, with a free group class for a month. Parties and balls are free for first-time visitors, current group students and all private students past and present.

• **PAPER MOON DANCE CENTER** (515 DW Hwy., Merrimack, 429-1100, papermoon-dance.com) offers group and private lessons, social dance parties and wedding dance instruction. Classes are offered in smooth, rhythm, club, standard and Latin dances. Dance parties are offered every Sat.

• **PAPER MOON DANCE CENTER** (Studios in Merrimack, Nashua, Concord & Amherst, 429-1100, papermoon-dance.com). Beginner classes Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. and Tuesdays at 6:45 p.m.; \$50 for the month for unlimited group classes (includes all levels, 8 per week total).

• **PRACTICE PARTY** every Fri. at Royal Palace Dance Studio (167 Elm St., Manchester, 621-9119, royalpalacedance.com), open to the public from 7:45 to 9:30 p.m. Singles and couples are welcome.

• **ROCKINGHAM BALLROOM** (22 Ash Swamp Road, Newmarket) offers ballroom dance night, line dance and couples dance lessons, country night and afternoon ballroom dance.

Call 659-4410 or visit [www.therockinghamballroom.com](http://www.therockinghamballroom.com).

• **ROYAL PALACE DANCE STUDIO** (167 Elm St., Manchester, 621-9119, royalpalacedance.com) offers group lessons in salsa, Latin, ballroom, rhythm, smooth dances, hip-hop and aerobic dances along with private dance lessons.

• **SAMBA AND TANGO** at the Royal Palace Dance Studio on Tuesdays, intermediate samba 7-7:45 p.m., and intermediate tango 7:45-8:30 p.m.

• **SOCIAL DANCING** Paper Moon Dance Center sponsors dances at Kathy Blake Dance Studio (3 Northern Blvd., Amherst, 429-1100, papermoon-dance.com). Two rooms of ballroom, Latin and swing dancing the second and fourth Sat. of each month 8-10:30 p.m. Cost is \$10, includes light refreshments.

• **STEPPIN' OUT DANCE STUDIO** (1201 Westford St., Lowell, Mass., 452-1111, step-pinoutdance-lowell.com) offers ballroom, swing, and salsa classes along with social dances and wedding dance instruction.

• **SWING DANCING** at the Royal Palace Dance Studio on Mondays at 7 p.m., visit [royalpalacedance.com](http://royalpalacedance.com) or call 621-9119.

• **TANGO CLASSES** at the Mariposa (26 Main St., Peterborough, 924-4555, mariposamuseum.org) every Wed., 7-8:30 p.m.

• **WEDNESDAY NIGHT SALSA** at the Queen City Ballroom (21 Dow St., Second Floor, Manchester), learn club-style salsa taught in the NY Style on 2. Mascote Entertainment will be on hand for the classes, which are \$45 for the four-week session. \$15 per person drop-in rate. The Level 1 class runs 6:15-7:15 p.m. The In Movement and Salsa Practica runs 7:25-8:25 p.m. Salsa levels 2 and 3 run from 8:35-9:35 p.m. Email [info@salsanewhampshire.com](mailto:info@salsanewhampshire.com) or call 617-286-MASA.

• **WEST COAST SWING** on Tuesdays at Milly's Tavern, 500 N. Commercial St., Manchester, in the Function Room. Novice class is 7-7:45 p.m., Intermediate class 7:45-8:30 p.m. Cost is \$12. Email [annedfleming@yahoo.com](mailto:annedfleming@yahoo.com).

### Folk Classes and Dance

• **AFRICAN DANCE** and drumming workshop taught by Theo Martey on Fridays, 6:30-7:30 p.m., at Murphy's Gym, 163 Lake Ave., Manchester. The Akwaaba Ensemble features West African drumming and dance. Cost is \$13; purchase a card for \$72 for six weeks. Drums provided if you don't have them. See [akwaabaensemble.com](http://akwaabaensemble.com) or call 224-5582.

• **BEGINNER LINE DANCE** at the Nashua Senior Center (70 Temple St., Nashua), Mondays at 1 p.m. Senior center membership is not required. Call 816-2647 to

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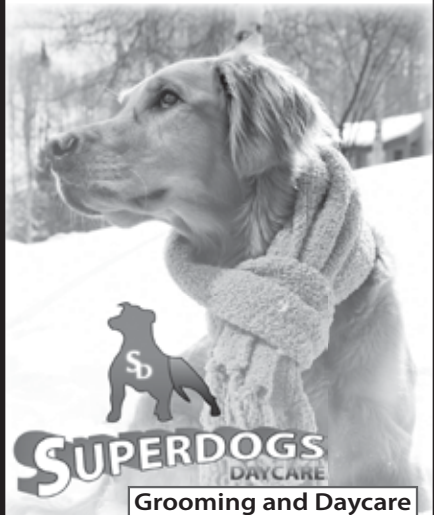
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- **LINE DANCE FOR ALL LEVELS** at the Nashua Senior Center (70 Temple St., Nashua), Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m. Drop-in rate is \$5. Email [cj189@comcast.net](mailto:cj189@comcast.net).
- **LINE DANCING** at Derry Parks & Recreation (31 E. Broadway, Derry). Beginner/Intermediate class Fridays, 10-11:30 a.m. Cost is \$5. Email [sharondobbie@aol.com](mailto:sharondobbie@aol.com) or call 329-5904.
- **LINE DANCING** on Sundays, 4-5 p.m. at Starr King Fellowship (101 Fairgrounds Road, Plymouth); Mondays, 10:30-11:30 a.m. at Ashland Booster Club (20 Highland St, Ashland); Tuesdays, 1-2 p.m. at Meredith Community Center (1 Circle Drive, Meredith); Fridays, 6-7 p.m. at Tapply Thompson Center (30 N. Main St., Bristol); and Saturdays, 11 a.m. to noon at Holderness Town Hall. All classes are \$5. Proceeds go to Starr King Fellowship. Call 536-1179.
- **BORDER CITY SQUARES** offers square dance lessons every Mon., 7-9 p.m. First night is free. Dance is held at Pilgrim Congregational Church, 4 Watson St., Nashua. See [bordercitysquares.freesevers.com](http://bordercitysquares.freesevers.com) or call Cheryl Imbody at 438-2366.
- **HAPPY TIME SQUARES** meets every Wednesday in the Community Room of the Rochester Community Center, 150 Wakefield St., Rochester. Members range from 8 to 80, and anyone interested in learning about Contemporary Square Dance is encouraged to attend. See [happy-timesquares.org](http://happy-timesquares.org).
- **IRISH DANCE CLASSES** at McDonough-Grimes Irish Dance (1 Washington St., Suite 1020, Dover), offers beginners classes on Mondays and Thursdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Classes are \$60 per month for ages 5-11 and \$40 for additional siblings. Call 923-5011 or email [info@nhirishdance.com](mailto:info@nhirishdance.com).
- **GREEK FOLK DANCING** Sunday evenings at St. George Greek Orthodox Community Center in Manchester. Open to all. Call 497-4581.
- **LINE DANCING** on Thursdays at the Windham Senior Center (2 N. Lowell Road, Windham), 9:45-10:45 a.m., for 4 weeks. Call the Windham Rec. Dept. at 965-1208.
- **LINE DANCING LESSONS** at the Mill-a-Round Dance Center. Beginner, easy, intermediate, available on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays. Cost is \$8. Visit [millaround.com](http://millaround.com)

for specific dates and times.

- **RHYTHM LINE DANCING** at Royal Palace Dance Studio on Tuesdays 6:15-7 p.m. Visit [royalpalacedance.com](http://royalpalacedance.com) or call 621-9119.
- **SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING** on Wednesdays 7-9 p.m. at the Church of the Good Shepherd, 215 Main St., Nashua (email [nashuascd@comcast.net](mailto:nashuascd@comcast.net)); and second and fourth Fridays at 7:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Church, 69 Washington St., Keene (call Bill Schenck, 352-6968). Visit [rsdcsboston.org](http://rsdcsboston.org) for a complete list.
- **WORLD DANCE** on second and fourth Thursday of each month, 7-9 p.m., at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Milford. All dances taught each night. Call 487-2732 or email [mary-floyd62@comcast.net](mailto:mary-floyd62@comcast.net).

#### Other

- **HOLIDAY DANCE PARTY AND SHOWCASE** at the Radisson Hotel Armory Room (700 Elm St., Manchester), Sun., Dec. 9, 1-5 p.m. Presented by the Queen City Ballroom, check out ballroom demonstrations, door prizes and a cash bar. Tickets are \$12 through Nov. 11, \$16 through Dec. 8, and \$20 at the door. Call 622-1500, email [QnCityBalrm@aol.com](mailto:QnCityBalrm@aol.com) or visit [www.queencity-ballroomnh.com](http://www.queencity-ballroomnh.com).
- **STUDIO 550 DANCE CLASSES** at Studio 550 (550 Elm St., Manchester) held throughout the week, including belly dance, hula hoop, spin poi and yoga. Visit [550arts.com](http://550arts.com) or email [info@550arts.com](mailto:info@550arts.com).
- **ADULT CLASSES** in tap and strength training at Allegro Dance Academy (100 Factory St., Nashua, [allegrodance.com](http://allegrodance.com)).
- **BEGINNER TAP** for ages 30+ at the Acting Loft, 516 Pine St., Manchester, Thursdays 7-7:45 p.m. Basic tap steps, as well as short combinations and routines. Ongoing cost is \$12 per week. Drop-ins are welcome with 24 hours' notice. Call 666-5999 to register or visit [www.actingloft.org](http://www.actingloft.org).
- **INTRODUCTION TO DANCE** "It's Never Too Late to Dance" for ages 30 and older at the Acting Loft, 516 Pine St., Manchester, Thursdays 6-7 p.m. A low-impact dance class. All are welcome, whether you are a first-timer or want to brush up for auditions, feel more confident about your skills or just have fun. Ongoing cost is \$16 per week. Drop-ins are welcome with 24 hours' notice. Call 666-5999 to register or visit [actingloft.org](http://actingloft.org).
- **NASHUA BALLET THEATRE DANCE COMPANY** (36 Arlington St., Nashua) offers ongoing classes from beginner to pro in ballet, pointe, jazz, modern and tap. Call 889-8408 or visit [nbtdc.com](http://nbtdc.com).

## SPY TALK



Visit the East Kingston Public Library (47 Maplevale Road, East Kingston) on Tuesday, Nov. 13, at 7 p.m., for "Spies in Time," a presentation on the effects of intelligence gathering throughout history. Different eras of spying will be addressed and the discussion will focus on the motivations and traits necessary in spying, both in times of war and peace. Admission is free. Call 642-8333, e-mail [info@eastkingstonlibrary.org](mailto:info@eastkingstonlibrary.org) or visit [www.eastkingstonlibrary.org](http://www.eastkingstonlibrary.org).

### HEALTH & WELLNESS

#### Workshops, seminars & events

- **FEMALE SEXUAL HEALTH** at the Center for Health Promotion (49 S. Main St., Suite 201, Concord), Wed., Nov. 14, 6:30-8 p.m. Learn about factors that can affect a woman's enjoyment of sex and how these factors can cause additional physical or psychological concerns. Free event. Call 230-7300.
- **ENERGY DRAINERS - HOW TO IDENTIFY AND ELIMINATE THEM** at the Rodgers Memorial Library (194 Derry Road, Hudson), Thurs., Nov. 15, 7-8:30 p.m. Certified master life coach Diane MacKinnon will help provide advice on how to improve the parts of your life that leave you feeling drained. Prior registration is requested. Call 886-6030 or visit [www.rodgerslibrary.org](http://www.rodgerslibrary.org).
- **HOLISTIC MOMS NETWORK MEETING** at The Spinal Corrective Center (1 Overlook Drive, Amherst), Thurs., Nov. 15, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Farrah Deselle, a Birthing from Within mentor and maternal child health nurse, will be on hand to lead a discussion on birth and parenting. Admission is free. Visit [www.holisticmoms.org](http://www.holisticmoms.org).
- **MEDITATION CLASS** at Aryaloka Buddhist Center (14 Heartwood Circle, Newmarket), Sat., Nov. 17, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. This is an intensive introduction to meditation. This class will focus

on Metta Bhavana or loving-kindness. Enrollment is on a voluntary sliding scale ranging from \$30 to \$50. Call 659-5456 or visit [www.aryaloka.org](http://www.aryaloka.org).

- **WOMEN'S SPIRIT CIRCLE** at the Women Supporting Women Center (111 Water St., Exeter) on Sundays, Nov. 18 and Dec. 9, 10-11 a.m. Uplift your spirit through this nondenominational group. Call 772-0799, email [info@wswwcenter.com](mailto:info@wswwcenter.com) or visit [www.wswwcenter.com](http://www.wswwcenter.com).
- **CPR: FAMILY AND FRIENDS** at St. Joseph Hospital (172 Kinsley St., Nashua) on Sun., Nov. 18, noon-2:30 p.m. Learn CPR for infants, children and adults. Class is \$35 and is not for certification. Call 595-3168 or visit [www.stjosephhospital.com/classes](http://www.stjosephhospital.com/classes).
- **CARING FOR SOMEONE WITH MEMORY IMPAIRMENT** at the Hooksett Library (31 Mount Saint Mary's Way, Hooksett), Tues., Nov. 27, at 10 a.m. For family caregivers, learn strategies on how to improve interactions with the person being cared for. Visit [www.hooksettlibrary.org](http://www.hooksettlibrary.org).
- **BROWN BAG LUNCH** at the Women Supporting Women Center (111 Water St., Exeter) on the second Thursday of each month, noon-1 p.m. Meet new people and have conversations during the day. Prior registration is required. Call 603-772-0799, email [info@wswwcenter.com](mailto:info@wswwcenter.com) or visit [www.wswwcenter.com](http://www.wswwcenter.com).
- **HYPNOSIS FOR WEIGHT LOSS** every Wednesday at 10:30

a.m., 1 and 7 p.m. at the New You Center For Hypnosis LLC (3 Webb Place, Suite 4, Dover). Price varies. Each participant will also receive a "home hypnosis session" on CD. Call 749-MIND. No walk-ins.

- **NEW THOUGHT CIRCLE** each Thursday at the Women Supporting Women Center (111 Water St., Exeter), 9:30-11 a.m. Learn about new universal spiritual concepts with the Rev. Claire Houston. Admission is \$10. Call 772-0799, email [info@wswwcenter.com](mailto:info@wswwcenter.com) or visit [www.wswwcenter.com](http://www.wswwcenter.com).

#### Blood drives

- **SAINT JUDE PARISH BLOOD DRIVE** at Saint Jude Parish (435 Mammoth Road, Londonderry), Fri., Nov. 16, 1-7 p.m. Homemade food, baked goods and giveaways from the Red Cross will be available for donors. Email [vincurro@comcast.net](mailto:vincurro@comcast.net).

#### Exercise/Fitness

- **CARDIO BOOTCAMP RHT** Martial Arts, 68 N. Stark Hwy., Weare, 529-5425, [nhkick.com](http://nhkick.com).
- **DYNAMIC STRENGTH AND FITNESS** 115 Northeastern Blvd., Nashua, 882-2348. Visit [DynamicSC.com](http://DynamicSC.com) for more information.
- **FIT TO BE TONED** (200 Elm St., Manchester, 505-0042, [fittobetoned.com](http://fittobetoned.com)) offers a boot camp class on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6 a.m. It incorporates kickboxing into a fitness routine including core training, squats, lunges and leg conditioning.
- **FITNESS HIKING** at Beaver Brook Association (117 Ridge Road, Hollis), Mondays and Fridays, 9-11 a.m., through May. Participants should be in good condition. Cost is \$5. Call 465-7787 or visit [www.beaverbrook.org](http://www.beaverbrook.org).
- **GET FIT NH BOOT CAMP** has two studios, 167 New Orchard Road, Epsom, and 287 S. Main St., Concord. Offers classes Mondays, Tuesday, Thursdays and Fridays, including ladies-only classes. Sessions run for four consecutive weeks. To receive a free two-week tryout, email [getfitnh@gmail.com](mailto:getfitnh@gmail.com) or call 344-2651 to reserve your spot, as space is limited. Visit [getfitnh-bootcamp.com](http://getfitnh-bootcamp.com).
- **GENTLE NIA** The Holistic Self Care Center, 12 Murphy Drive, Nashua, Mondays from 5:15-6 p.m. Nia is a sensory-based movement lifestyle that leads to health, wellness and fitness and draws from disciplines of the martial arts, dance arts and healing arts. It empowers people of all shapes and sizes by connecting the body, mind, emotions and spirit. To sign up, call 883-1490, email [info@thehscenter.com](mailto:info@thehscenter.com), or go to [thehscenter.com](http://thehscenter.com).

• **HULA HOOPS** fitness classes with Nicole Vincent. Email [flashbackhoops@comcast.net](mailto:flashbackhoops@comcast.net) or go to [flashbackhoops.com](http://flashbackhoops.com).

- **JAZZERCISE** at the Manchester Jazzercise Fitness Center (32 Hayward St., Manchester, 624-9122, [manchjazz.com](http://manchjazz.com)) features 42 classes per week, including Jazz Lite (low impact), body sculpting and express classes (1/2 hour).
- **JAZZERCISE** the Southern NH Jazzercise at 28 Lowell Road, Hudson, offers 33 weekly classes in Jazzercise and body sculpting. Contact Cindy Robinson at 880-0887 or [cindyjazz1@comcast.net](mailto:cindyjazz1@comcast.net). For other locations, go to [jazzercise.com](http://jazzercise.com) or call 800-FIT-IS-IT.
- **NLP ELITE ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM** Next Level Performance (31 S. Commercial St., Manchester, [nlpspeed.com](http://nlpspeed.com)) Offers classes strength, speed, agility, flexibility and injury prevention for athletes ages 11 and older on Mon., Wed., Thurs. and Fri. Call 627-7500.
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- **OUTDOOR FITNESS BOOT CAMP** ([fitnessonwheels.com](http://fitnessonwheels.com), 234-9669) Fitness on Wheels at the Goddard School, 12 Tsienneto Road, Derry. Email [tricia@fitnessonwheels.com](mailto:tricia@fitnessonwheels.com) for session dates and times.
- **ON THE MOVE FITNESS & CONDITIONING** (289-3088, [onthemovefit.net](http://onthemovefit.net)) offers an Extreme Fitness Boot Camp, a Women's Fitness Boot Camp, Boot Camp Basic and Team Fitness Boot Camp.
- **PERFECTFIT** ([perfectfitonline.com](http://perfectfitonline.com), 641-8297) fitness consultant and personal fitness trainer Dave Soucy offers small group classes featuring circuit training with full-body movements.
- **PILATES MAT** at Yoga & More (505 W. Hollis St., Suite 106, Nashua, 889-1121, [yogaandmorenh.com](http://yogaandmorenh.com)) on Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m., and Thursdays, 7-8 p.m. and 9:30-10:30 a.m. Learn the fundamentals of the Pilates technique as taught by founder Joseph Pilates. Drop-in fee is \$15.
- **CONCORD PILATES** (2 Pillsbury St., Suite 302, Concord, 369-0550, [ConcordPilates.com](http://ConcordPilates.com)) classes are Monday at 5 p.m., Tuesday at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday at 9 a.m., Thursday at 5:30 p.m. and Saturday at 10 a.m. First week costs \$20.
- **PILATES** by Deerfield Parks and Rec., Studio 59 at the George B. White Bldg., 8 Raymond Road, on Wed. and Fri. at 10 a.m. Visit [townofdeerfieldnh.com](http://townofdeerfieldnh.com) or email [dflparks@townofdeerfield.com](mailto:dflparks@townofdeerfield.com) or call 463-8811, ext. 305.



# DECORATE



Make sure your house will be ready for holiday festivity. The First Congregational Church of Dunbarton United Church of Christ is hosting its Community Wreath and Poinsettia Sale with products specifically limited to local vendors. Visit the church at 6 Stark Highway North, Dunbarton, to place your order by the Sunday, Nov. 18, deadline. Orders can be picked up Saturday, Dec. 1, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 2, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call 774-4992.

- **PILATES** Martial Arts, 68 N. Stark Hwy., Weare. Call 529-5425.
- **PILATES NH** and Yoga, 76 Route 101A, Amherst. Classes will be held Tuesdays 6-7 p.m. and Mondays 8:15-9:15 a.m. To register call 562-7525.
- **RTH MARTIAL ARTS AND WELLNESS**, 68 N. Stark Hwy., Weare, 529-5425, offers health and wellness classes including zumba, yoga, pilates, yang tai chi chuan and more. Go to nhkick.com.
- **STRAFFORD COUNTY YMCA** fitness classes including kickboxing, cardio combo and conditioning combo, at the Strafford County YMCA at 63 Lowell St., Rochester. Contact Brent Diesel at 332-7334 or bdiesel@gmfymca.org.
- **TRADITIONAL NIA** The Holistic Self Care Center, 12 Murphy Drive, Nashua, Mondays from 6 to 7 p.m. Nia is a sensory-based movement lifestyle that leads to health, wellness and fitness and draws from disciplines of the martial arts, dance arts and healing arts. It empowers people of all shapes and sizes by connecting the body, mind, emotions and spirit. To sign up, call 883-1490, email info@thehscenter.com, or go to thehscenter.com.
- **TRAINING EFFECTS NH** (434-9281, trainingeffectsnh.com) in Londonderry offers group boot camp program to promote cardiovascular fitness, muscular endurance, flexibility and balance. Meets Friday at 9:30 a.m.
- **WELLNESS CENTER CLASSES** WellSpace New Hampshire, 633 Maple St., Hopkinton. Offering fitness classes of all levels, tai chi for arthritis and qigong, strength training, boot

camp, yoga, personal training, mindful meditation, children's dance classes and nutrition & weight loss programs. Call Jane Sullivan-Durand, MD, founder of WellSpace NH at 746-4626 or Ami Sarasvati at amisarasvati@yahoo.com.

- **YMCA** of Greater Manchester offers a wide variety of fitness classes. Visit manchesterymca.org or call 623-3558.
- **ZUMBA** Mon. and Thurs. at 5:30 p.m., Tues. at 5:45 p.m., first class free, at Royal Palace Dance Studio, 167 Elm St., Manchester, RoyalPalaceDance.com.
- **ZUMBA** McConnell Center Gym in Dover offers classes every Wed. 7-8 p.m., Sat. 9-10 a.m. and Sun. 10-11 a.m. A 6-week session costs \$30 for Dover residents (\$35 for nonresidents). Drop-ins are also welcome. New classes start every 6 to 7 weeks. Zumba is a fun and easy dance-fitness program designed for people of all ages and levels of fitness. Contact the Dover Rec Center at 516-6401 or the instructor, Diana Post, at 969-6413.
- **ZUMBA** at Kaleo Coffee, 83 Main St., Dover, 343-4139, every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. Diana Post is the instructor for this weekly class. Drop-in fee is \$5 per person.
- **ZUMBA** at St. Joseph Hospital (172 Kinsley St., Nashua) on Fridays, 7-8 p.m. Session 2 is Nov. 9-Dec. 14. Cost is \$50 per session. All ages and experience levels can participate. Call 595-3168 or visit www.stjosephhospital.com.
- **ZUMBA** at Queen City Ballroom (21 Dow St., Manchester) Mondays, 6:30-7:30 p.m., and Thursdays, 6:15-7:15 p.m. All levels are welcome and dance experience is not necessary. In

October, the drop-in rate is \$5. Call 341-2514, email QnCityBallrm@aol.com or visit www.queencityballroomnh.com.

- **ZUMBA GOLD** with Ginger Kozlowski on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 6-6:45 p.m. Tuesday classes at the old Bedford Town Hall (3 Meetinghouse Road, Bedford), Wednesday at Hooksett Town Hall (35 Main St., Hooksett) and Thursday at Mill-A-Round Dance Center (250 Commercial St., Manchester). Classes cost \$7 at the door, with the first class free. Email apljacker@gmail.com or visit gingerk.zumba.com.

## MARKETING & BUSINESS

### Networking

- **MONTHLY BROWN BAG LUNCH** held by Women Supporting Women at 111 Water St., Suite 2, Exeter, on the 2nd Thursday of the month, noon-1 p.m. Register by emailing info@wscenter.com, calling 772-0799 or visiting wscenter.com.
- **BUSINESS AFTER HOURS** hosted monthly by the Peterborough Chamber of Commerce. Call 924-7234 for dates and locations.
- **CONCORD YOUNG PROFESSIONALS NETWORK** personal development initiative of the Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce that offers networking, community involvement and social opportunities. Once a month, CYPN holds networking and enrichment events at Concord venues where young professionals of all ages (generally 22-40s) can interact socially, build a contact base and exchange ideas. Visit concordypn.org or call the chamber at 224-2508.
- **GOLD STAR REFERRAL CLUB** offers businesses and professionals the opportunity to attend meetings Tuesdays, 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the East Point Executive Center (99 Pine Hill Road, Nashua). Meetings open to any business or professional, and reservations are not required. Gold Star Referral Clubs establish system for generating, passing and increasing flow of qualified referrals to member businesses. Call Diana Pinkham at 489-8671 or email diana@goldstarclubs.com.
- **INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS** Profile Chapter meets the first Wednesday of the month (Sept. through June) from 6 to 8 p.m. Meetings include networking, a light dinner, an educational program and a business meeting. Guests can attend the first two meetings for free; the meal is optional. An RSVP is appreciated for planning purposes. See profile-iaap.org.
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**PROFESSIONALS NETWORK** holds social and business events monthly. Visit mypn.org or call 942-2485.

• **NEW THOUGHT CIRCLE** held through Women Supporting Women on Thursdays, 9:30-11 a.m. at 111 Water St., Suite 2, Exeter. This group explores universal spiritual concepts and shares first-hand experiences of applying them. Register by emailing info@wswcenter.com, calling 772-0799 or visiting wswcenter.com.

• **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZERS** holds monthly meetings on third Tuesday of each month except July, 6-8 p.m. at Brady-Sullivan Tower, 1750 Elm St., Manchester. No charge for members; \$10 charge for guests.

• **ONE MORE REFERRAL** is a business networking group. The Dover chapter meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month at Café on the Corner.

• **START-UP ABI HUB MEET-UP GROUP** is organized by the people at the abi Innovation Hub and is a group for entrepreneurs and professionals to gather for lunch, free Wi-Fi and to chat about what's new. Entrepreneurial, innovative and creative communities around Manchester are welcome to join Wednesdays at noon in the lobby of abi. Contact Jamie Coughlin at jamie@abihub.org.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**Bake/yard sales/fundraisers/auctions**

• **DINNER AUCTION** at the Crowne Plaza (2 Somerset Pkwy., Nashua), Fri., Nov. 9, 5:30-9 p.m. Journeys of a Lifetime, the Nashua Senior Center's fourth annual dinner auction, is \$50 per person and will help fund initiatives and activities to benefit the lives of seniors. Call 816-2642 or email jtunstall@nashuaseniorcenter.org.

• **HOLIDAY BAZAAR AND PENNY SALE** at St. Kathryn Parish (4 Dracut Road, Hudson), Sat., Nov. 10, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., and Sun., Nov. 11, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. In addition to crafts, food and raffles, Santa Claus will be on hand for photos. Call 882-7793.

• **NOT YOUR GRANDMA'S CRAFT FAIR** at McDonough Elementary School (550 Lowell St., Manchester) on Sat., Nov. 10, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. More than 60 vendors will be selling arts, crafts and homemade food. Live music and demonstrations; support the Manchester Animal Shelter and Manchester Police Wives Association. Admission is free. www.notyourgrandmascraftfair.org.

• **LIVE AND SILENT AUCTION** to benefit the Animal Rescue League of NH on Sat., Nov. 10, at 5:30 p.m., at the Radisson Hotel (700 Elm St., Manchester). Enjoy cocktails and appetiz-

## PRETTY TREES



and climate have had on the region's forests. Admission is free. Call 589-4610 or visit [www.nashualibrary.org](http://www.nashualibrary.org).

New England, and New Hampshire in particular, is known for its dense forests. But, just how healthy are the forests in the region? On Monday, Nov. 26, at 7 p.m., visit the Nashua Public Library (2 Court St., Nashua) for a presentation by University of New Hampshire professor Scott Ollinger. "New England Forests and the Winds of Change" will look into the effects air quality, carbon dioxide

ers, browse silent auction tables and then bid in the live auction. Tickets are \$100. Call 472-5788, email [karen@rescueleague.org](mailto:karen@rescueleague.org) or visit [www.rescueleague.org](http://www.rescueleague.org).

• **GROWING THE GREENWAYS FUNDRAISER** at the Bow Lake Grange Hall in Strafford, Sat., Nov. 10, 7-10 p.m. Silent and live auction items will be available and proceeds will benefit the Bear-Paw Regional Greenways. Tickets are \$35. Call 463-9400 or visit [www.bear-paw.org](http://www.bear-paw.org).

• **AUCTION AND DESSERT TASTING** at Candia Woods (313 South Road, Candia), Sat., Nov. 10, at 6:30 p.m., hosted by the Deerfield Cooperative Preschool. Bid in a silent and live auction and try an array of desserts. Cost is \$25 per person or \$45 for a pair. Call 463-5776 or email [dcpauction@gmail.com](mailto:dcpauction@gmail.com).

• **HAM AND BEAN DINNER FUNDRAISER** at the First Congregational Church (15 Lawrence Road, Salem), Sat., Nov. 10, 4:30-6:30 p.m. The Philathea women's group will be serving ham, beans, potato salad and coleslaw. Admission is \$8 for adults and \$3.50 for ages 10 and younger. Call 893-3421 or visit [www.fcc-salem.org](http://www.fcc-salem.org).

• **FUNDRAISING AUCTION** at the Milford First Congregational Church (10 Union St., Milford), Sat., Nov. 10, at 6 p.m. Visit the church between 4 and 6 p.m., to preview the auction items. Call 801-1338 or visit [www.auctionzip.com](http://www.auctionzip.com) and enter auction ID 2454.

• **RESCUE LEAGUE AUCTION** at the Radisson Hotel/Center of New Hampshire (700 Elm St., Manchester), Sat., Nov. 10, at 5:30 p.m. Participate in live and silent auctions for items including vacation packages. Ticket prices vary. Visit [www.rescueleague.org](http://www.rescueleague.org), or call 472-5788.

• **DOLL CLOTHES RAFFLE** at the Rodgers Memorial Library

(194 Derry Road, Hudson). The Drop-in Stitchers have supplied a basket of clothes for an 18-inch doll that will be raffled off to support the library's children's room. Tickets go on sale Tues., Nov. 13, and a winner will be selected Fri., Dec. 14. Tickets cost \$1 (or six for \$5). Call 886-6030.

• **TURKEY SHOOT** at the Merrimack High School Cafeteria (38 McElwain St., Merrimack), Thurs., Nov. 15, at 6:45. Hosted by the Merrimack Public Library, 40 turkeys, 40 bags of vegetables, 40 gallons of cider and 40 apple pies will be raffled. Call 424-5021.

• **BOUNTIFUL BASKETS BONANZA** at the Concord Boys & Girls Club (55 Bradley St., Concord), Fri., Nov. 16, 5-6:30 p.m. Themed baskets will be raffled and there will be silent auctions. Raffle tickets are 10 for \$5 and 25 for \$10. Proceeds benefit the Parent Information Center and the Boys & Girls Club. Call 224-7005 or visit [www.picnh.org](http://www.picnh.org).

• **SPALIDAYS** at the Inns and Spa at Mill Falls (312 DW Highway, Meredith), Wed., Nov. 28, 5-7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and include a \$5 coupon, mini spa services and food. Proceeds benefit the Breast Health Program at Lakes Region General Hospital. Call 677-8620 or visit 677-8620.

• **\$10,000 RAFFLE EXTRAVAGANZA** at The River Card Room (185 Elm St., Milford), Fri., Nov. 30, 6-8 p.m. Hosted by Opportunity Networks, an organization assisting residents of Greater Nashua and the Souhegan Valley with developmental disabilities. The grand prize is \$10,000 and raffles will also be drawn for smaller amounts. Call 883-4402 or visit [www.opportunitynetworks.org](http://www.opportunitynetworks.org).

## Expos/festivals/fairs

• **VILLAGE FAIR** at the First Congregational Church (15 Law-

## CONSERVE AND PROTECT



Enjoy an evening of entertainment featuring silent and live auctions and benefit Bear-Paw Regional Greenways, an organization that works to conserve local land and water. The event is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 10, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Bow Lake Grange Hall on Province Road in Strafford. There will be hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer and soft drinks and auction items will include vacations, a John Deere Tractor and Native American items. Tickets are \$35 per person. Call 463-9400, e-mail [info@bear-paw.org](mailto:info@bear-paw.org) or visit [www.bear-paw.org](http://www.bear-paw.org). Pictured: Bow Lake, the site of the event and a vacation destination being auctioned. Courtesy photo.

rence Road, Salem), Fri., Nov. 9, 4-8 p.m., and Sat., Nov. 10, 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m. The 50th anniversary celebration will feature handmade crafts, baked goods, Christmas ornaments and a snack bar. Call 893-3421 or visit [www.fcc-salem.org](http://www.fcc-salem.org).

• **NOT YOUR GRANDMA'S CRAFT FAIR** Sat., Nov. 10, at McDonough Elementary School (550 Lowell St., Manchester, 624-6373, [notyourgrandmascraft-fair.org](http://notyourgrandmascraft-fair.org)) 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission and parking. Live art demonstrations, acoustic music, 63 artists and crafters. Proceeds support local nonprofits.

• **PSYCHIC AND HOLISTIC FAIR** at The Yard Seafood and Steakhouse (1211 S. Mammoth Road, Manchester) Sat., Nov. 10, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Meet with psychics, healing therapists and vendors. Call 490-6253 or visit [www.turntothestars.com](http://www.turntothestars.com).

• **HOLIDAY FAIR** at the Gethsemane Lutheran Church (65 Sagamore St., Manchester), Sat., Nov. 10, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Crafts, gift baskets, baked goods and other items will be available. Call 623-3451.

• **FESTIVAL OF TREES** at Sticks and Stones Farm (107 White Oak Road, Center Barnstead), Fri., Nov. 16, Sat., Nov. 17, and Sun., Nov. 18. Visit the farm to check out Christmas trees decorated by local businesses, marshmallow toasting and wagon rides. Bring nonperishable food for local food pantries. Proceeds

benefit various New Hampshire charities. Call 776-8989.

• **HOLIDAY FAIRE** at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Manchester (669 Union St., Manchester), Sat., Nov. 17, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. A quilt raffle will benefit the church. This year's quilt is in a "lucky stars" pattern. Raffle tickets are \$1 for 1, \$5 for 8, \$10 for 20 and \$20 for 50. Call 625-6854 or email [holidayfaire@uumanchester.org](mailto:holidayfaire@uumanchester.org).

• **GFWC HUDSON JUNIOR WOMAN'S CRAFT FAIR** on Sat., Dec. 1, at Hudson Memorial School (1 Memorial Drive, Hudson). Free admission. Artists and craftspeople who want to take part should call 594-0332 or email [debbieandjeffl@comcast.net](mailto:debbieandjeffl@comcast.net).

• **NIKKI'S DREAM WELLNESS FESTIVAL** at C.R.E.A.T.E!, the Center for Expressive Arts, Therapy and Education (141 Union St., Manchester), Sat., Dec. 1, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Throughout the day, various sessions will provide information on how to feel relaxed and empowered. Admission costs \$20, which will be donated toward Nikki's Dream for Wellness and Education. Call 625-0010 or visit [www.castlecreate.com](http://www.castlecreate.com).

## Holiday

• **HISTORIC THANKSGIVING** at the Remick Country Doctor Museum and Farm (58 Cleveland Hill Road, Tamworth), Sat., Nov. 10, 1-4 p.m. Learn all the steps of making a Thanksgiving

meal, take a wagon ride and make a craft. Admission is \$3. Children 4 and younger are free.

• **CHRISTMAS AT CASTLE IN THE CLOUDS** at Castle in the Clouds (455 Old Mountain Road, Moultonborough), Fri., Nov. 16, Sat., Nov. 17, Sun., Nov. 18, Fri., Nov. 23, Sat., Nov. 24 and Sun., Nov. 25. The castle will be decorated for Christmas and visitors can learn about traditions from between 1915 and 1940. Admission is \$16 for adults, \$12 for seniors (65+), \$12 for students between 16-20, \$8 for ages 5-15, and free for ages 4 and younger. Call 476-5900 or visit [www.castleintheclouds.org](http://www.castleintheclouds.org).

• **WREATH AND POINSETTIA SALE** through the First Congregational Church of Dunbarton United Church of Christ (6 Stark Highway North, Dunbarton). Order by Nov. 18. Pickup dates are Sat., Dec. 1, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., and Sun., Dec. 2, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Call 774-4992 or visit [www.dccucc.org](http://www.dccucc.org).

• **HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA** at Weare Town Hall (15 Flanders Memorial Road, Weare), Sat., Nov. 24, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Visit with local vendors, try kids' activities and sample holiday food. Call 529-7211, ext. 10, email [wearechamhernh@gmail.com](mailto:wearechamhernh@gmail.com) or visit [wearechamber.org](http://wearechamber.org).

## Other

• **HISTORIC BELKNAP MILL ANNIVERSARY DINNER** at the Historic Belknap Mill (25 Beacon St. East, Laconia), Fri., Nov. 9, at 5:30 p.m. The theme of the dinner will focus on winter and meteorologist Bob Copeland will be on hand to talk about the blizzard of 1978. Tickets are \$40 per person, \$75 for two people and \$300 for a table of eight people. Call 524-8813 or visit [www.belknapmill.org](http://www.belknapmill.org).

• **INTERNATIONAL GAMES DAY** at the Kelley Library (234 Main St., Salem), Sat., Nov. 10, 10 a.m.-noon. Children, teenagers and adults can visit the library for video games and board games. Call 898-7064 or visit [www.kelleylibrary.org](http://www.kelleylibrary.org).

• **BUDDHIST MEDITATION WORKSHOP** at The Conservation Center (54 Portsmouth St., Concord), Sat., Nov. 10, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Join Buddhist teacher Rochelle Sokoll for "The Eye of the Storm: How to Find Peace in the Midst of Chaos." Admission is \$25. Admission for students and seniors is \$15. Call 508-979-8277, email [info@meditationin-mass.org](mailto:info@meditationin-mass.org) or visit [www.MeditationInNewHampshire.org](http://www.MeditationInNewHampshire.org).

• **DECORATOR SHOWCASE** at the Franklin Pierce Homestead (301 2nd NH Tpke., Hillsborough) Sat., Nov. 10, Sun., Nov. 11, Mon., Nov. 12, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tickets are \$20. Call 464-4781 or visit [www.hillsboroughhistory.org](http://www.hillsboroughhistory.org).



## WIN A RAFFLE

Help families in need and try to take home a gift basket of your own. Visit the Concord Boys & Girls Club (55 Bradley St., Concord), on Friday, Nov. 16, from 5 to 6:30 p.m., for the Bountiful Baskets Bonanza. Various themed baskets will be raffled off and will be part of silent auctions. Raffle tickets are 10 for \$5 and 25 for \$10. Proceeds benefit the Parent Information Center and

the Boys & Girls Club. Call 224-7005 or visit [www.pic-nh.org](http://www.pic-nh.org).

• **BOW ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP AUCTION** at the Bow Community Building (2 Knox Road, Bow), Sat., Nov. 10, 5:30-9 p.m. Live and silent auctions and food from local restaurants. Visit [www.bowrotary.org](http://www.bowrotary.org).

• **VETERANS DAY MOTORCYCLE RUN** starts at Tilton's Haircuts for Men (281 Main St., Tilton), Sun., Nov. 11, 8:30-9:30 a.m., for coffee and doughnuts. Police escort at 9:45 a.m. to the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery (110 DW Highway, Boscaawen) for a ceremony. Return to American Legion Post 49 (4 Park St., Northfield) for pizza. Call 286-3595.

• **JAZZ WORKSHOP WEEK** at the Concord Community Music School (23 Wall St., Concord), Mon., Nov. 12, 4:30-8 p.m., Tues., Nov. 13, 3:30-7:30 p.m., and Wed., Nov. 14, 4:30-8 p.m. Visit the music school for free workshops for all ages and ability level. All workshops are free. Call 228-1196 or visit [www.ccmusicschool.org](http://www.ccmusicschool.org).

• **COMMUNITY RESOURCE EXPO** at the Adult Learning Center (4 Lake St., Nashua), Tues., Nov. 13, 6:30-8 p.m., and Wed., Nov. 14, 10:30 a.m.-noon. Meet with more than 30 non-profit and community based agencies and organizations. Call 882-9080 ext. 235 or visit [sdaltont@adultlearningcenter.org](mailto:sdaltont@adultlearningcenter.org).

• **VETERANS APPRECIATION** at Pelham Public Library (24 Village Green, Pelham), Tues., Nov. 14, 9-11 a.m. Visit the library to give thanks for the service veterans have provided. Refreshments will be available. Call 635-7581 or visit [www.pelhampubliclibrary.org](http://www.pelhampubliclibrary.org).

• **LADIES NIGHT** in Downtown Nashua on Thurs., Nov. 15, 5:30-9 p.m. Visit downtown businesses throughout the evening for shopping deals, cocktails and more. Visit [www.downtownnashua.org](http://www.downtownnashua.org).

• **ELIZABETH YATES**

**AWARD PRESENTATION** at the Concord Public Library (45 Green St., Concord) Sun., Nov. 18, at 2 p.m. The award is given annually to a resident in the Concord area that has helped to inspire reading in youth. This year, Janet Ulbrich and her dog Lily, and Brenda Kern and her dog Sparkle are this year's recipients. Children have had the opportunity to read to these certified therapy dogs as part of the "Paws for Pages" program. Call 230-3682.

• **MANCHESTER WEST CLASS '82 REUNION** at the Executive Court Banquet Facility (1199 S. Mammoth Road, Manchester), Fri., Nov. 23, 7-11 p.m. Cost is \$35 per person. Call 627-4300, email [mightyblueof82@gmail.com](mailto:mightyblueof82@gmail.com) or visit [www.facebook.com/WestHighSchoolClassOf1982](http://www.facebook.com/WestHighSchoolClassOf1982). Make payment to West High School - Class of 1982 and mail to c/o Kathy (Sullivan) O'Connell, 265 Prospect St., Manchester, NH 03104.

• **NASHUA CLASS OF '02 REUNION** at the Radisson (11 Tara Blvd., Nashua) on Sat., Nov. 24, 7-11 p.m. Tickets cost \$35 and the event will feature food, drinks and music. Email [nhs2002reunion@yahoo.com](mailto:nhs2002reunion@yahoo.com).

• **MANCHESTER CENTRAL CLASS OF '87 REUNION** at Fratello's (155 Dow St., Manchester), Sat., Nov. 24, at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$45 before the event and \$55 at the door. Food, music and a red carpet entrance will highlight the event. Visit [www.eventbrite.com/event/4480196388/efblike](http://www.eventbrite.com/event/4480196388/efblike) or [www.facebook.com/groups/201077350005531](http://www.facebook.com/groups/201077350005531).

• **FIRST AMENDMENT AWARD EVENT** at the Capitol Center for the Arts (44 S. Main St., Concord) Thurs., Nov. 29, at 7 p.m. The event will honor the first amendment and highlight New Hampshire residents that use and protect it. Keynote speaker is Patrick Buchanan. Call 627-0005

or visit [www.loebsschool.org](http://www.loebsschool.org).

• **NEW YORK CITY TRIP** through Nashua Parks and Recreation on Sat., Dec. 1. Bus departs from Greeley Park at 6 a.m. and arrives back at 11:30 p.m. that evening. Cost of trip is \$60 per person and includes bus ride, doughnuts, juice and movies. Call 589-3370 to register.

### NATURE & GARDENING

• **Amoskeag Fishways**  
6 Fletcher St., Manchester,  
626-FISH, [amoskeagfishways.org](http://amoskeagfishways.org)  
• **Beaver Brook Association**  
117 Ridge Road, Hollis,  
465-7787, [beaverbrook.org](http://beaverbrook.org),  
• **Charmingfare Farm**  
Route 27, Candia, 483-5623,  
[visitthefarm.com](http://visitthefarm.com)

• **McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center**  
2 Institute Drive, Concord,  
271-STAR, [starhop.com](http://starhop.com)

• **Educational Farm at Joppa Hill**  
174 Joppa Hill Road, Bedford,  
472-4724, [theeducationalfarm.org](http://theeducationalfarm.org)

• **Friends of Stark Park**  
North River Road, Manchester,  
645-6700, [friendsofstarkpark.org](http://friendsofstarkpark.org)

• **Londonderry Trailways**  
PO Box 389, Londonderry,  
[londonderrytrails.org](http://londonderrytrails.org)

• **Manchester Historic Association**  
129 Amherst St., 622-7531,  
[manchesterhistoric.org](http://manchesterhistoric.org)

• **Massabesic Audubon Center**  
26 Audubon Way, Auburn,  
668-2045, [nhudubon.org](http://nhudubon.org)

• **McLane Center**  
84 Silk Farm Road, Concord,  
224-9909, [nhudubon.org](http://nhudubon.org)

• **Peabody Mill Environmental Center**  
66 Brook Road, Amherst,  
673-1141, [pmec.org](http://pmec.org)

• **Seacoast Science Center**  
570 Ocean Blvd., Rye, 436-8043,  
[seacoastsciencecenter.org](http://seacoastsciencecenter.org)

• **Society for the Protection of NH Forests**  
224-9945, [spnhf.org](http://spnhf.org)

• **Animals/insects/plants**  
• **RAVEN FEEDING** at the Massabesic Audubon Center (26 Audubon Way, Amherst, 668-2045, [nhaudubon.org](http://nhaudubon.org)) every Sunday at 12:30 p.m. Watch as feeders give the raven his daily meal. Free.

• **COASTAL BIRDING TRIPS** on Wed., Nov. 21, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. The trips are through the Massabesic Audubon Center and costs \$9 per trip. Meet at Hampton Beach State Park parking lot at 9 a.m. and carpool to various birding locations. Call 668-2045.

• **SHOREBIRDS FIELD TRIP** Massabesic Audubon Center, 26 Audubon Way, Auburn, 668-2045, offers regular field trips to look for birds at the shore. Costs \$15.

• **SNAKE FEEDING** at the Massabesic Audubon Center (26 Audubon Way, Amherst, 668-2045, [nhaudubon.org](http://nhaudubon.org)) every Sunday, 11:30 a.m. Watch the ball pythons eat lunch and even get to

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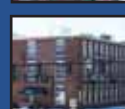
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• **HIVE-AT-YOUR-HOME** at Nashua Public Library (2 Court St., Nashua), Thurs., Nov. 8, at 7 p.m. Kagen Weeks of Hive-At-Your-Home installs beehives in community gardens, CSAs and at homes. Learn how this helps in pollination of food and flowers. Free with prior registration required. Call 589-4610 or visit [www.tinyurl.com/npllecture](http://www.tinyurl.com/npllecture).

• **UNDERSTANDING BOB-CATS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE** at McLane Audubon Center (84 Silk Farm Road, Concord) on Thurs., Nov. 8, at 7 p.m. Learn about bobcats from a NH Fish and Game steward. Free event. Call 224-9909.

• **BIRDS OF PREY SHOW** at the Massabesic Audubon Center (26 Audubon Way, Auburn), Sat., Nov. 17, noon-1 p.m. and 2-3 p.m. Meet live birds of prey including a golden eagle and a turkey vulture. Admission is \$10 for individuals and \$30 for families. Call 668-2045.

• **HOW’S THE HEALTH OF NEW ENGLAND FORESTS** at Nashua Public Library (2 Court St., Nashua) on Mon., Nov. 26, at 7 p.m. Learn about factors affecting forests in the area, from UNH professor Scott Ollinger. Admission is free. Call 589-4610, email [carol.eyman@nashualibrary.org](mailto:carol.eyman@nashualibrary.org) or visit [www.nashualibrary.org](http://www.nashualibrary.org).

• **OTTER ENRICHMENT** at Squam Lakes Natural Science Center (23 Science Center Road, Holderness), every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 11:30 a.m. Learn about river otters and watch as a live otter eats. Admission is \$15 for adults, \$12 for ages 65+, \$10 for ages 3-15, and free for 2 and younger. Call 968-7194 or visit [www.nhnature.org](http://www.nhnature.org).

## Astronomy

• **DARK MATTER AND DARK ENERGY** at the Wadleigh Memorial Library (49 Nashua St., Milford), Wed., Nov. 28, 7-8:30 p.m. Dr. Bryan Higgs, Ph.D in experimental particle physics from Yale University, will be on hand to discuss the matter that much of the universe consists of. Call 673-2408.

## Hiking, hikes & walks

• **NATURE WALKS** Join NH Audubon’s Nashaway Chapter for morning adventure walks at Ponemah Bog in Amherst. Bring binoculars and bug spray, and wear shoes you don’t mind getting wet. Free and open to the

public. The entrance to the bog is on Rhodora Drive, off Stearns Road, which runs between Boston Post Road and Route 122, just north of Route 101A in Amherst. Contact Jack Gleason at 673-3177 or [jgleason10@netzero.net](mailto:jgleason10@netzero.net). Visit [nhaudubon.org/sanctuary\\_amhe.php](http://nhaudubon.org/sanctuary_amhe.php).

## Outdoors

• **BOATING EDUCATION** classes through the state’s Department of Safety. Full-day Saturday classes and two-day weeknight classes are available at locations around the state through the fall. Classes cost \$30. Call 267-7256 or see [nhboatingeducation.com](http://nhboatingeducation.com) for times and locations.

• **GPS RENTALS** every Saturday and Sunday, from noon to 4 p.m., at Peabody Mill Environmental Center in Amherst. Cost is \$10.

• **LONDONDERRY TRAILWAYS** nonprofit organization staffed by volunteers working to make Londonderry more accessible to pedestrians and bicycles. The group improves and maintains trail systems throughout 900+ acres of conservation land within the town of Londonderry. Visit [londonderrytrails.org](http://londonderrytrails.org).

• **MANCHESTER CEDAR SWAMP** conservatory area on Hackett Hill Road in Manchester offers a 602-acre ecological preserve with established trails. Follow Hackett Hill Road to Countryside Boulevard and watch for the trailhead.

• **MCLANE CENTER** (84 Silk Farm Road, Concord, 224-9909, [newhampshireaudubon.org](http://newhampshireaudubon.org)) offers trails for hiking and searching out wildlife.

• **PRIMITIVE SKILLS WORKSHOP** is offered on the third weekend of every month at MyoFu An Dojo, 159 Savage Road, Milford, taught by a master tracker from Tom Brown School with 25 years of experience. Includes training in basic survival skills such as finding and making emergency shelter, making fire, purifying water and gathering food. Call 785-6440.


• **WHITE PARK POND** (Washington and White streets in Concord, [onconcord.com/recre](http://onconcord.com/recre)) offers a tree trail — see map online.

## Photography

• **WILD NH PHOTO CONTEST AND AUCTION** at the Massabesic Audubon Center (26 Audubon Way, Auburn) will show approximately 100 amateur photos of nature in New Hampshire through Sun., Dec. 9. Displayed photos are available through a fundraising silent auction. Call 668-2045.

• **MASSABESIC AUDUBON CENTER** (26 Audubon Way, Auburn, 668-2045, [nhaudubon.org](http://nhaudubon.org)) occasionally offers classes on nature photography and nature writing.

# MULLET NIGHT



Jaromir Jagr, Barry Melrose and even “The Great One,” Wayne Gretzky, have all sported the king of all haircuts — the mullet — on the ice. For some reason, mullets and hockey just seem to be an irresistible combination, and the Manchester Monarchs AHL hockey team (affiliated with the L.A. Kings) will host “Mullets in Movember” at Verizon Wireless Arena (555 Elm St., Manchester) on Saturday, Nov. 10, at 7 p.m. The first 3,000 fans to enter the arena for the game against the Providence Bruins will receive a mullet wig and a mustache to show support and raise funds for men’s cancer awareness month. Ticket prices range from \$17 to \$29. Call 626-7825 or visit [www.manchestermonarchs.com](http://www.manchestermonarchs.com) to purchase tickets.

• **OUTDOOR DIGITAL PHOTO CLASSES** at Silver Hills Studio from 9 a.m. to noon on the second Saturday of every month. Classroom introduction and 2 hours of hands-on shooting in the natural landscape followed by constructive critique. Cost is \$25. To sign up, visit [silverhillsstudio.com](http://silverhillsstudio.com) or call 497-4674.

## SPORTS & RECREATION

• **Bow Recreation Department**  
2 Knox Road, Bow, 228-2222, [bowparksandrecreation.com](http://bowparksandrecreation.com)

• **Candia Woods Golf Links**  
313 South Rd., Candia, 483-2307, [candiawoods.com](http://candiawoods.com)

• **Concord Recreation Dept.**  
[onconcord.com/recreation](http://onconcord.com/recreation)

• **Granite State Senior Games**  
11 Stagecoach Way, Manchester, 622-9041, [nhseniorgames.org](http://nhseniorgames.org)

• **Granite State Wheelmen**  
215 S. Broadway, Salem, 898-5479, [granitestatewheelmen.org](http://granitestatewheelmen.org)

• **McIntyre Ski Area**  
Kennard Road in Manchester, 622-6159, [mcintyreskiarea.com](http://mcintyreskiarea.com)

• **Mine Falls Park**  
Whipple Street in Nashua, Parks & Recreation, 589-3370

• **White Park Pond**  
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• **YMCA**  
30 Mechanic St., Manchester, 623-3558, [gmfyymca.org](http://gmfyymca.org)  
6 Henry Clay Dr., Merrimack, 881-7778, [nmymca.org](http://nmymca.org)  
17 Prospect St., Nashua, 882-2011, [nmymca.org](http://nmymca.org)  
15 N. State St., Concord, 228-9622, [concordymca.org](http://concordymca.org)

## Spectator sports

• **Manchester Freedom Football**  
9 Notre Dame Ave., 627-7270, [manchesterfreedom.com](http://manchesterfreedom.com)

• **Manchester Monarchs Hockey**  
Verizon Wireless Arena, 555 Elm St., [monarchshockey.com](http://monarchshockey.com), 626-7825

• **NH Fisher Cats Baseball**  
1 Line Drive, Manchester, 641-2005, [nhfishercats.com](http://nhfishercats.com)

• **Verizon Wireless Arena**  
555 Elm St., Manchester, 868-7300, [verizonwirelessarena.com](http://verizonwirelessarena.com)

## Biking/races

• **GRANITE STATE WHEELMEN** ([granitestatewheelmen.org](http://granitestatewheelmen.org)) is a recreational biking club offering rides for all levels ages 18+. Rides takes place Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday mornings, as well as Mondays and Wednesdays after work. There are a number of leaders to guide small groups on rides of various distances and speeds on mostly back roads. Must wear a helmet. Call Cathy at 224-0346.

• **NASHUA CRITICAL MASS** is a celebratory event for cyclists promoting the peaceful existence of bikes and cars on the same road. There is a ride the last Friday of every month in Nashua. The course covers about four miles at a pace suitable for all ages and levels of experience. Critical Mass meets at 6 p.m. and the group departs from the parking deck on Factory Street at 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact [CMNashua@gmail.com](mailto:CMNashua@gmail.com).

• **NEW ENGLAND MOUN-**

**TAIN BIKE ASSOCIATION** offers rides and opportunity to help preserve trails. Look for information on the southern NH chapter at [nemba.org](http://nemba.org).

• **NH CYCLING CLUB** ([nhcyclingclub.com](http://nhcyclingclub.com)) is an organization for people of all ages who want to compete in bike races. Membership costs \$25.

• **NOVICE MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDE** meets at the Trumpet Gallery (8 Grove St., Peterborough) Saturdays, 10 a.m. Led by Mike Teitsch, an expert mountain biker. Session is \$20 and two weeks advance registration is required. Call 924-9862 or email [monadisabrooks@gmail.com](mailto:monadisabrooks@gmail.com).

• **THURSDAY NIGHT TURTLE RIDE** at Dover Cyclery (12 Chestnut St., Dover) every Thursday at 6 p.m. The ride is a group ride for slower riders. It starts and finishes at Dover Cyclery. Call 617-3844.

## Ice Skating

• **ICE SKATING LESSONS** at the Everett Arena (15 Loudon Road, Concord), through Sat., Dec. 8. For ages 4 through adult. Times and prices are available by calling 225-8690 or visiting [www.ci.concord.nh.us/recreation](http://www.ci.concord.nh.us/recreation).

## Runs/running/walks

• **FRANK H. DONOVAN MEMORIAL 5K ROAD RACE** at 2 Delta Drive, Concord, on Sat., Nov. 17, at 10 a.m. The run benefits the Northeast Delta Dental Foundation, providing grants for oral health education and increased dental services access in northern New England. Pre-registration is \$15 and \$10 for students. Registration the day of the race is \$20 and \$15 for students. Call 223-1348 or email [pcapone@nedelta.com](mailto:pcapone@nedelta.com).

• **GREAT GOBBLER THANKSGIVING DAY 5K** at Mine Falls Park, Nashua, Thurs., Nov. 22, at 8 a.m. Prior registration is recommended and is \$25 for adults and \$20 for ages 17 and younger. Day of registration is \$30 for adults and \$5 for ages 17 and younger. Proceeds benefit the cross country teams from both Nashua public high schools. Visit [www.stjosephhospital.com/GreatGobbler](http://www.stjosephhospital.com/GreatGobbler).

• **ATHLETIC ALLIANCE** ([www.nhathleticalliance.com](http://www.nhathleticalliance.com)) is a nonprofit running club based in Manchester open to all ages and ability levels.

• **GATE CITY STRIDERS** ([www.gatecity.org](http://www.gatecity.org)) club for runners at all levels, from recreational joggers to competitive runners.

## Spectator

• **MANCHESTER FREEDOM** women’s tackle football team plays at West Memorial Field in Manchester. See [www.manchesterfreedom.com](http://www.manchesterfreedom.com).

• **MANCHESTER MAYHEM**

is a roller derby team in Manchester. Visit [rollerderbymanchester.com](http://rollerderbymanchester.com) to learn about joining or volunteering for the new team.

• **MANCHESTER MONARCHS** are an affiliate of the NHL’s L.A. Kings, and play their home games at Verizon Wireless Arena (555 Elm St., Manchester). Call 626-7825 or visit [manchestermonarchs.com](http://manchestermonarchs.com).

• **NH MOUNTAINEERS SOCCER** games held at Southern NH University, 2500 N. River Road, Manchester. Visit [www.mountainersoccer.com](http://www.mountainersoccer.com).

• **NH ROLLER DERBY** team competes at the JFK Coliseum, 303 Beech St., Manchester. Tickets cost \$8 in advance or \$10 at the door; kids 10 and younger get in free. See [www.nhrollerderby.com](http://www.nhrollerderby.com).

## Team/competition sports.

• **BATTLE OF THE BADGES TRYOUTS** at the Verizon Wireless Arena (555 Elm St., Manchester), Tues., Nov. 13. Fire, 5-6:30 p.m., and police, 6:45-8:15 p.m. The game will be played in March to benefit CHaD. Call 650-3437, email [CHaDHockey@Hitchcock.org](mailto:CHaDHockey@Hitchcock.org) or visit [www.chad-hockey.org](http://www.chad-hockey.org).

• **ALL-AGES ARCHERY** classes available for ages 6 to seniors at locations in Bow, Concord, Franklin, Pembroke, New Boston, Bradford, Brentwood and Bedford. Beginner and advance classes offered; equipment provided. Call 224-5768 or email [nesainc@aol.com](mailto:nesainc@aol.com).

• **AMOSKEAG RUGBY CLUB** offers games and instruction for men and women, new and experienced players, as well as youth teams. See [www.amoskeagrfc.com](http://www.amoskeagrfc.com).

• **ARCHERY CLASSES** Concord Recreation Department (1 White St., Concord, 225-8690, [www.ci.concord.nh.us/recreation](http://www.ci.concord.nh.us/recreation)) offers beginner to advanced archery lessons. Instructor is Dana White. Call 225-8690.

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• **CONCORD FENCING CLUB** Hall Street, Concord, 224-3560, [www.concordfencingclub.org](http://www.concordfencingclub.org), offers various levels of instruction, as well as open fencing for USFA members.

• **DODGEBALL** league at Greater Manchester Family YMCA for ages 18 and older. See [www.gmfymca.org](http://www.gmfymca.org) or call Chris Webster at 232-8632.

• **MANCHESTER FREEDOM** women’s tackle football team plays at West Memorial Field in Manchester. See [www.manchesterfreedom.com](http://www.manchesterfreedom.com).



# Record everything

Be your own big brother with action cams

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Ever hear the expression “pics or it didn’t happen”? Even still shots are becoming unreliable in this age of easy photo manipulation, so what you really need is a video camera to record your every move. If that sounds expensive and cumbersome, oh ho, no, does the consumer electronics industry ever have you covered.

With specialized mounting hardware for bikes, race cars, helmets and even people’s chests, a whole category of cameras has emerged just for recording exciting stuff as you do it. The intent is really extreme sports, but hey, we won’t judge if you record daily walks in the park.

Each of these action cams captures video at 1080p full HD. There are cheaper cameras that capture lower-resolution video, but why skimp on recording your epic adventures?

**GoPro Hero3:** The Kleenex of the HD action cam world, GoPro has the name recognition to define the category. The design aesthetic of their current Hero3 line isn’t exactly cutting edge, though; they’re little gray boxes with monochrome LCDs on the front. Where they really display their versatility is in the variety of mounts that GoPro sells. Surfboard mounts, car roll bar mounts, a chest mount harness, you name it. The basic “White Edition” Hero3 camera comes with two clip mounts and two adhesive mounts as well as a protective case for \$199. It can be controlled from an optional remote or iPhone app.

**Sony Action Cam:** If you insist on a brand name known outside the action cam market, Sony has your number. Like the Hero3 White Edition, the Sony Action Cam is just a tick under \$200 and comes with a waterproof housing and two adhe-

sive mounts — no clip mounts though. The variety of accessory mounts isn’t as extensive either, though you can choose from essential bike handlebar and suction cup mounts.

**Epic Stealth Cam:** With “epic” right there in the name, it shouldn’t surprise you that this

product’s website describes it as the “sick-est” action cam on the market. It claims to be the lightest of its kind, too. Its \$199.99 purchase price gives you a strap mount, an articulating elbow mount, and two adhesive mounts. Unlike other cams with rechargeable batteries, this one runs on ordinary AAAs. The basic mounts are there, as well as a tree screw mount that’s out of stock as of this writing, but promised to be back soon.

**Chinese cams:** If you’re willing to forego brand names and American retail sites altogether, you can get a bargain on a no-name 1080p action cam at wholesale sites. You’ll give up the ease of finding mounts, though, which is pretty important in this market, and you’re basically rolling the dice when it comes to quality. DinoDirect.com has the best price on a single unit of what it brands a Codisk cam, which comes with what looks like a handlebar mount and a strap of some kind. But! You get it all for \$71.39 and free shipping! DHgate.com has a very similar package on a “Bullet” cam, but it’s \$87.21 unless you buy more than one. Really, I only mention these for the very bargain basement of shoppers.

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## Weekly Dish

Notes from the local food scene

By Luke Steere  
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• **Calling all gingerbread men:** The Fifth Annual Gingerbread Spectacular will be held at Canterbury Shaker Village (288 Shaker Road, Canterbury) on two Saturdays, Dec. 8 and Dec. 15. You can enter a house to display in the gingerbread village setting, with snowy hills, sparkly white lights and a profusion of gingerbread trees, fences, pretzel reindeer, and marshmallow snowmen. Entry forms are available at [www.shakers.org](http://www.shakers.org); completed forms need to be mailed in by Saturday, Nov. 24. Entry is free if you choose to donate your house at the event, or \$15 if you retrieve your house after judging. The base must be no larger than 18 inches by 18 inches and must be solid and easy to move. The house and all décor must be edible except the base — foil-wrapped chocolates don't count — and lighting must be battery-powered. For more details, call Lauren Henderson at 783-9077, ext. 230. Gingerbread house viewing and judging will be from 3 to 8 p.m. on Dec. 8 and Dec. 15.

• **Camelot beer dinner:** Enjoy a special beer dinner at the Holy Grail (64 Main St., Epping) on Wednesday, Nov. 28, at 7 p.m. A five-course gourmet dinner, paired with select beers provided by Founders Brewing Company, will be served at the Grail. Founders is the Grail's celebrity beer choice for the month of November, and the restaurant will feature Founders Red Rye IPA, Centennial IPA, Dirty Bastard and a pale ale and porter at the dinner. Pint Nites leading up to the event will feature Blue Moon on Nov. 8, Founders Red Eye on Nov. 15, Shipyard Pumpkin Ale on Nov. 21 and Founders Porter on Nov. 29. Make reservations at 679-9559, ext. 1, or visit [www.theholylgrailpub.com](http://www.theholylgrailpub.com) for details.

• **Charity Thanksgiving meal:** Emmanuel Baptist Church (14 Mammoth Road, Hooksett) is holding a free Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, Nov. 22, at 1 p.m. Members of the church invite any and all in need of a sit-down dinner or company around the table to come for a turkey dinner with all the fixings. Seating is limited; reservations can be made by calling 668-6473 or through email at [emmanuelhooksett@gmail.com](mailto:emmanuelhooksett@gmail.com).

• **Holiday tapas bar:** On Thursday, Nov. 8, from 6 to 8 p.m. enjoy an evening of holiday tapas at the Concord

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## Thanksgiving dinner is served

Restaurants can make it a meal to remember

By Luke Steere  
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The National Restaurant Association estimates that 14 million people visited restaurants on Thanksgiving 2011. The key to eating out for Thanksgiving is reservations — make them soon. These local eateries will be offering sit-down dinners on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 22.

• **Alan's of Boscawen** (Route 3, North Main Street, Boscawen, 753-6631, [www.alansofboscawen.com](http://www.alansofboscawen.com)) offers both a Thanksgiving buffet and plated. Enjoy a spread of fruit, domestic and imported cheeses, crudité, shrimp cocktail, turkey orzo, pumpkin soup, garden, pasta and other salads; sides of homemade mashed potato and gravy, yams, peas and onions, butternut squash, pasta primavera, stuffing and, at the center, a choice of turkey, ham, prime rib or baked stuffed haddock, and a dessert assortment. The plated meal is a traditional Thanksgiving dinner with fixings. Both dinners are served from noon to 6 p.m. and will be offered at half price for children and at a discount for those older than 65. Large parties are welcome. Call for reservations.

• **Alpine Grove** (19 Depot St., Hollis, 882-9051) serves Thanksgiving dinner buffet-style, and they do the dishes. To start with, there's salad and warm rolls, and hot turkey soup; then there's a traditional spread of turkey with gravy and cranberry sauce, oven-roasted ham with raisin sauce, mashed potatoes, butternut squash, sweet potatoes, peas with pearl onions, and maple-glazed carrots. They'll have pies and more for dessert. Seatings are at noon, 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. Adult plates cost \$19.99, kids 12 and younger eat for \$9.99 and there's no charge for kids younger than 5. Reservations are required.

• **Bedford Village Inn** (2 Olde Bedford Way, Bedford, 472-2001, [www.bedfordvillage-inn.com](http://www.bedfordvillage-inn.com)) invites diners for a hearty four-course meal prepared



by Executive Chef Benjamin Knack. The starter is a chef's selection amuse bouche, followed with appetizers including sweet potato, pear and goat cheese tart, candied pecans, local squash soup with toasted pepitas and pumpkin seed oil, cured coppa salami with marinated artichokes, and more, followed by a salad. Diners can go traditional with Hermit Brook Farm New Hampshire free-range turkey with chestnut stuffing, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, haricot verts and pan dripping gravy, or choose steaks — a grilled beef tenderloin with vegetables and Cabernet sauce or blackened ribeye with spinach and onions and bacon with cranberry demi — or fish, like the seared Atlantic char; pasta, an herbed pappardelle with roasted heirloom squash, ricotta and arugula; or pan-roasted pheasant, with roasted apples, squash and a chestnut puree. Dinner is \$59 per plate.

• **Belmont Hall & Restaurant** (718 Grove St., Manchester, 625-8540, [www.belmonthall.net](http://www.belmonthall.net)) offers seatings for Thanksgiving from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., serving traditional fare of white and dark meat turkey with gravy and cranberry sauce with a choice

of three sides, including a garden salad, squash or squash soup, turkey and rice soup, mashed, baked or french fried potatoes and carrots. The meal is \$12.99.

• **The Chateau** (201 Hanover St., Manchester, 627-2677, [www.chateauhnh.com](http://www.chateauhnh.com)) offers a plated meal in their dining room, which has seating for large parties. Seatings will start at 11:30 a.m. and the final one will be at 4:30 p.m. Turkey with all the fixings (squash, stuffing, gravy, mashed potatoes) is \$14.95 per plate (\$1 discount for senior citizens). Four other entrees including baked ham with wine sauce, grilled tenderloin tips, North Atlantic broiled haddock and, for the kids, chicken tenders with fries will also be available. Reservations are required for dinner.

• **Chez Vachon** (136 Kelley St., Manchester, 625-9660, [chezvachon.com](http://chezvachon.com)) will have two seatings, at noon and 1:30 p.m., for a plated dinner of turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, rolls and up to two desserts for \$11.99. Reservations are required.

• **Colby Hill Inn**, (3 The Oaks, Henniker, 428-3281, [colbyhillinn.com](http://colbyhillinn.com)) will serve a

three-course, prix-fixe dinner. The first course includes starters like butternut squash soup with leeks, honey nutmeg, and cinnamon crème fraîche and duck confit spring rolls, also with squash and leek and served with mixed greens and sweet and sour cranberry dipping sauce. Choose a traditional New England turkey dinner for the main course, or go with grilled pork chop with apple fennel compote, bone-in stuffed chicken breast with mushrooms, onions and brie, or acorn squash ravioli topped with mushroom cream sauce and sautéed leeks. Desserts are gourmet pumpkin chocolate, lemon blueberry meringue and chocolate pecan pies, apple strudel and a maple creme brulee. Dinner seatings are from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$45 for adults, \$19.99 for children younger than 12. Reservations are required.

• **Common Man** (25 Water St., Concord, 228-3463; 88 Range Road, Windham, 898-0088, [thecoman.com](http://thecoman.com)) will have a buffet from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dine on roasted turkey, roasted pork or salmon with cranberry butter beside green beans almondine, glazed carrots, sage stuffing, mac and cheese, cranberry sauce,



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mashed potatoes, squash, salad and, for dessert, apple, cheesecake, cupcakes, brownies and whoopie, blueberry, cherry, pumpkin and chocolate cream pies. Buffet costs \$23.95.

• **The Country Spirit** (68 Maple St., Henniker, 428-7007, [countryspirithenniker.com](http://countryspirithenniker.com)) is going surt and turf for Thanksgiving. A special a la carte menu of roast turkey dinner, prime rib, smoked country ham, and vegetarian options of lasagna and salmon will be served from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Seafood appetizers include fresh shucked oysters and clams, shrimp cocktail, Clams Casino and Oysters Rockefeller. There will be pies, hot cider, eggnog and more for dessert, and a children's menu is available. Reservations are highly recommended.

• **The Derryfield** (625 Mammoth Road, Manchester, 623-2880, [thederryfield.com](http://thederryfield.com)) has family-style and plated meals available from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with seatings every two hours. Both meal styles come with turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, butternut squash, seasonal vegetables, salad and rolls, served on platters or individual plates. Family-style meals are \$22.95 per person; plated is available for \$19.95 (\$17.95 for seniors, \$16.95 for children younger than 12). Reservations are required.

• **Fratello's** (155 Dow St., Manchester, 641-6776, [fratellos.com](http://fratellos.com)) is setting up a carving station with roasted turkey breast and slow-roasted prime rib surrounded by a spread of garden and Caesar salads, homemade stuffing, pan gravy, Atlantic salmon, wild rice pilaf, garden vegetable lasagna, Chantilly mashed Yukon Gold potatoes, cranberry sauce, candied butternut squash and pearl onions and peas. Coffee and dessert will follow. The dinner is \$24.95 for adults, \$12.95 for children age 6 to 12 and free for children younger than 5. Seatings are from noon and 3 p.m.; reservations are required.

• **Granite Restaurant and Bar** (Centennial Hotel, 96 Pleasant St., Concord, 227-9000, ext. 602, [thecentennialhotel.com](http://thecentennialhotel.com)) offers a buffet with seatings at noon and 2 p.m. featuring assorted hors d'oeuvres, artisan cheese, Caesar salad, local apple, walnut and baby green salad, butternut squash bisque, Granite rustic rolls, maple-glazed roasted pork loin, roasted breast of turkey with herb gravy and cranberry jam, wild mushroom herb stuffing, roasted garlic and sour cream mashed potatoes, butternut squash ravioli, butter-glazed baby carrots with haricot vert, squash and braised greens with apples and bacon. Apple and dried fruit crisp, spiced pumpkin pie, maple pecan tart and flourless chocolate torte will be offered for dessert. The buffet costs \$29.95 for adults, \$26.95 for seniors and \$16.95 for children younger than 12. Children 4 and younger eat free. Call to make reservations (required).

• **Greenwood's** (Canterbury Shaker Village, 288 Shaker Road, Canterbury, 783-4238, [shakers.org](http://shakers.org)) presents a traditional

Shaker Thanksgiving buffet from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., with simple Shaker dishes and regional recipes with vegetarian and gluten-free options. There will chef-carved oven-roasted turkey and prime rib, vegan strudel, fish and eggs, salads, squash and cider bisque, mashed potatoes, gravy, apple chestnut stuffing, roasted root vegetables, pickled beets, corn casserole, Shaker creamed onions and assorted desserts. The buffet costs \$25 for adults, \$17.50 for children younger than 12.

• **Hanover Street Chophouse** (149 Hanover St., Manchester, 644-2467, [hanoverstreetchophouse.com](http://hanoverstreetchophouse.com)) offers Thanksgiving specials and a children's menu from noon to 5 p.m. The regular Chophouse menu will be slightly altered for a single-plate meal of turkey or ham, butternut squash, potato, stuffing and cranberry sauce. Seasonal desserts and a full selection of starters and salads will be on the menu as well.

• **Hart's Turkey Farm** (233 DW Highway, Meredith, 279-6212, [hartsturkeyfarm.com](http://hartsturkeyfarm.com)) will offer its regular menu from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on its favorite holiday. It features an array of turkey starters, specialties and entrees for any appetite or party size. Prime rib cuts, country-fried steak, pork chop, baked stuffed shrimp and lobsters are available too, as well as soups, pastas and sandwiches. Reservations are being taken for seatings at 10:30 and 10:45 a.m. All other times are open seating.

• **Homestead** (641 DW Highway, Merrimack, 429-2022, [homesteadnh.com](http://homesteadnh.com)) restaurant offers a limited but nonetheless hearty Thanksgiving menu of turkey soup, apple cider, mixed nuts, fruit basket, mashed potato, cranberry sauce, butternut squash, green peas, hot rolls and pie with a choice of roast turkey, baked Virginia ham, roast prime rib, baked stuffed haddock, Veal Oscar, roasted leg of lamb or seafood fettuccine. A children's menu includes ham, turkey, prime rib, bowtie alfredo and chicken fingers. Seatings will be at noon, 2:30 p.m., and 5 p.m.; call to make reservations.

• **Red Arrow 24 Hr. Diner** (61 Lowell St., Manchester, 626-1118; 63 Union Square, Milford, 249-9222, [theredarrowdiner.com](http://theredarrowdiner.com)) is open, of course, and will be serving plated traditional Thanksgiving dinners starting at midnight. Full turkey dinners come with a choice of soup or salad, stuffing, mashed potatoes, vegetables and a dessert choice. Pork pie and other meals are offered as well.

• **Red Blazer** (72 Manchester St., Concord, 224-4101, [theredblazer.com](http://theredblazer.com)) goes buffet-style, offering roast turkey, baked haddock, baked ham and a cheese tortellini pesto dish with sides of cranberry and apple stuffing, mashed potato, green bean casserole, baked yams, baked butternut squash, cranberry sauce, salad bar and mini-dessert buffet. The first seating is at 11 a.m., last seating at 3:30 p.m. Price is \$19.99 for adults, \$12.99 for children; ages 3 and younger eat free. Reservations are recommended.

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• **Speaker's Corner Restaurant** (Crowne Plaza Hotel, 2 Somerset Parkway, Nashua, 886-1200, [cpnashua.com](http://cpnashua.com)) has a spread of traditional items in a buffet, including caramelized apple and pear bisque, gorgonzola crostini, pickled Granny Smith apples on a roasted beet salad, and chef carved roasted turkey with smoked sage gravy, carved steamship with rosemary Chambord and cranberry chutney or toasted pumpkin seed-dusted chicken breast, and sides of corn au gratin Yukon Gold and sweet potatoes and New England apple sausage stuffing. For dessert, there's a torte medley of cheesecakes, chocolate pies and more. The dinner buffet is \$27.95 for adults, \$22.95 for seniors and \$12.95 for children 5 to 10; those 4 and younger eat free. Reservations are required.

• **Valentino's** (142 Lowell Road, Hudson,

889-9900, [valentinosrestaurants.com](http://valentinosrestaurants.com)) offers a Thanksgiving menu from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Start with turkey soup, autumn bisque, a taste-of-Italy sampler with arancini, bocci balls and eggplant tollatini, and butternut ravioli and a Caesar or apple fennel salad. Three sizes of a plated traditional turkey dinner are being offered, with white or dark meat cuts of turkey, gravy, stuffing, squash prepared to order and cranberry sauce or relish. Chef-choice specials are also an option, like an Italian combo platter, parmigiana or masala or a prime rib, baked stuffed haddock or braised balsamic and brown sugar short ribs. Choose bread pudding with caramel and syrup topping, cheesecake or pie for dessert. Reservations are recommended.

• **Wild Rover Pub** (21 Kosciuszko St., Manchester, 669-7722, [wildroverpub.com](http://wildroverpub.com))

puts out its annual Thanksgiving breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m., featuring traditional Irish food served buffet-style. Before a Thanksgiving dinner, or as an early substitute, enjoy eggs, Potatoes O'Brien, beans, black and white puddings, Irish and American bacon, bangers, pancakes, honey caraway biscuits and more. The cost is \$9.99 per person, \$5.99 for children, free for those younger than 5. The bar closes at 2 p.m. and will reopen from 5 p.m. until 1 a.m. Proceeds from breakfast will benefit the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

• **The Yard** (1211 S. Mammoth Road, Manchester, 623-3545, [theyardrestaurant.com](http://theyardrestaurant.com)) offers a lunch and dinner buffet with roasted turkey, house-made stuffing, mashed potatoes, rice pilaf, baby carrots, butternut squash, yams, pearl onions with sweet peas, a full salad bar, fresh fruit, assorted gourmet

breads hot apple cider. There will be a carving station with turkey, roast beef and ham, and dessert selections, as well. The meal is \$21.95 for adults, \$10.95 for kids younger than 10, free for those younger than 3. Plated dinners are available too: supreme cut prime rib (\$25.95), Yard cut prime rib (\$20.95), turkey dinner and baked haddock dinner (\$16.95) and kids' chicken tenders (\$10.95). Seating is on the hour from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Reservations are required. Seatings for parties of seven or more are at 11 a.m. and noon, 2 and 4 p.m. A late-night menu will be available in the pub from 6 p.m. to close.

*Let us know of any Thanksgiving eats not listed here by emailing [food@hippopress.com](mailto:food@hippopress.com) so we can tell our readers in an upcoming Weekly Dish.* 🍷

# Thanksgiving takeout

## Have dinner at home with less work

By Luke Steere  
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If you'd like to eat a real Thanksgiving dinner at home but not have to make your own gravy or wash a lot of roasting pans, these eateries can help. Whether you're looking to order a full spread or just some sides or desserts, you'll want to order early and be mindful of the pickup time. Some spots offer takeout dishes ready to eat; some are heat-and-serve and in some cases you'll need to do a little cooking of prepared dishes.

• **A Market** (125 Loring St., Manchester, 668-2650, [www.mya-market.com](http://www.mya-market.com)) has different types of fresh, organic turkeys sourced locally and weighing 10 to 24 pounds, vegetarian options and easy-to-prepare sides like hazelnut cranberry en croute, stuffing, cranberry sauce, wild rice and more. They're open through Wednesday, Nov. 21, closed on Thanksgiving.

• **Alpine Grove** (19 Depot St., Hollis, 882-9051) is offering feasts to go: cooked 22-pound turkeys with stuffing, gravy and cranberry sauce for \$149.99, or substitute prime rib for \$199 or roasted Virginia ham for \$159. All three come with mashed potatoes, carrots, squash, rolls with butter and pumpkin pie. Pickup is Wednesday, Nov. 21, or Thursday, Nov. 22.

• **Angela's Pasta and Cheese** (815 Chestnut St., Manchester, 625-9544, [www.angelaspastaandcheese.com](http://www.angelaspastaandcheese.com)) will provide you with the extras: gravy, stuffing, mashed potatoes, whipped butternut squash, soft dill, powdered, brioche and other

assorted rolls, ready-to-bake salmon or pork pies, cranberry relish, and a huge assortment of sweets. Order forms are available online; the order deadline is Saturday, Nov. 17, for pickup on Wednesday, Nov. 22.

• **Apple Hill Farm** (580 Mountain Road, Concord, 224-8862, [www.applehillfarmnh.com](http://www.applehillfarmnh.com)) has fresh baked pies in many apple varieties, but also cherry, blueberry, strawberry rhubarb, maple custard, pumpkin, squash and minced meat, as well as squash rolls. The farm keeps a few extras around for last-minute purchases, but they'll go quickly as Turkey Day approaches, so pre-order by Sunday, Nov. 18, to be sure you'll get one.

• **Baked Bakeshop on Kelley Street** (71 Kelley St., Manchester, 624-3500) is taking orders for holiday pies: Dutch apple, pumpkin, chocolate, banana, and coconut cream, key lime pie, sweet potato, lemon meringue, peanut butter mouse covered in chocolate ganache, pecan and an apple-caramel-walnut. They're closed on Thanksgiving; the last day for pickup is Wednesday, Nov. 21.

• **Belmont Hall & Restaurant** (718 Grove St., Manchester, 625-8540, [www.belmonthall.net](http://www.belmonthall.net)) has pork, salmon, minced meat, pecan, coconut cream, banana cream, vanilla brownie, apple, pumpkin, chocolate cream, raspberry, strawberry rhubarb, lemon meringue, raisin and blueberry pies priced between \$13 and \$15. Three-layer cakes are available too. You can also get the turkey buffet as a

take-home package; pre-order and tell them how many people you're serving and they'll have it prepared.

• **Black Forest Café** (212 Route 101, Amherst, 672-0500, [www.the-blackforestcafe.com](http://www.the-blackforestcafe.com)) has a loaded Thanksgiving dinner take-out menu that includes heat-and-slice turkey with gravy, \$60; focaccia and sausage stuffing, butternut squash and celery root puree with rosemary, wild and brown rice pilaf, sweet and white smashed potatoes with caramelized onions, maple and dijon glazed carrots and parsnips, broccoli with roasted garlic butter, spinach and mesclun salad and much more. Portions serve six people. The menu also includes specialty pies, cookies and cakes like cranberry walnut crostata, white chocolate frangiccotorte and chocolate-dipped brown sugar pecan acorns. Place orders by Sunday, Nov. 18, at 5 p.m. for pickup by 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 21.

• **Bread & Chocolate** (29 S. Main St., Concord, 228-3330) has seasonal favorites such as pumpkin cake, pumpkin tea bread, pumpkin tarts, apple, pecan and pumpkin pie, cranberry orange coffee cake, pumpkin maple cake, apple almond, chocolate walnut and chocolate pecan tarts, sticky buns and cinnamon walnut coffee bread. Orders must be in by Monday, Nov. 19, for pickup on Wednesday, Nov. 21.

• **Brookstone Grille** (14 Route 111, Derry, 328-9250, [www.brookstone-park.com](http://www.brookstone-park.com)) can help with whatever sides you need. Brookstone chefs will take on all, most or some of the cooking, providing a



host of traditional sides and desserts, such as turkey gravy (\$5), cranberry apple stuffing (\$4.50), mashed potato or sweet potato (\$6), 10-inch pumpkin or apple pie (\$10) and more. Call for a complete menu.

• **The Chateau** (201 Hanover St., Manchester, 627-2677, [www.chateauh.com](http://www.chateauh.com)) will have, in addition to their plated meals in-house, take-out turkey dinners, which can be picked up on Nov. 22. They are available for \$12.95 per piece. Orders should be placed Monday, Nov. 19.

• **Concord Food Co-op/Kearsarge Cooperative Grocer** (24 S. Main St., Concord, 225-6840, [www.concordcoop.coop](http://www.concordcoop.coop); 52 Newport Road, New London; [www.kearsargecoop.coop](http://www.kearsargecoop.coop)) is now taking orders for fresh Vermont turkeys weighing 12 to 40 pounds. You can also order a ready-to-eat "Celery Stick Classic" Thanksgiving meal that serves 8 to 10 and comes with a 10-pound oven-roasted bird, pan gravy, apple sausage stuffing, red skin mashed potatoes, cinnamon and nutmeg whipped butternut squash and homemade cranberry sauce. The "Bountiful Feast" is a 10-pound

smoked maple glazed turkey with pan gravy, Puritan green beans, farm stand green salad with champagne vinaigrette, apple sausage stuffing, roasted autumn vegetables with roasted pumpkin seeds, cranberry pear chutney and cheddar chive mashed potatoes. Individual side dishes are available too, as are fresh homemade pies, including chocolate cream, apple, blueberry, bumbleberry, coconut cream, pumpkin and more for \$14.99 each. To order, call the Co-op chefs at 225-6840. All orders need to be placed by noon Tuesday, Nov. 20. Pickup is between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 21.

• **Common Man** (25 Water St., Concord, 228-3463, 88 Range Road, Windham, 898-0088, [thecman.com](http://thecman.com)) is offering to-go meals in addition to its Thanksgiving buffet. The takeout meals include sliced roasted turkey with gravy, sage stuffing, mashed potatoes, butternut squash, cranberry sauce, green beans, rolls and slices of pie. Heat-and-serve meal orders must be placed (specify the number of diners and desired pick-up location) by Monday, Nov. 19.



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• **Crust & Crumb** (126 N. Main St., Concord, 219-0763, [www.thecrustandcrumb.com](http://www.thecrustandcrumb.com)) has pies and lots of breads — herbed ciabatta and multigrain, Canterbury sourdough, Shaker squash rolls, buttermilk, tomato-olive and many more. Place orders by Monday, Nov. 19, for pickup.

• **Farm & Flower** (15 Webster St., Manchester, 625-6700) can help with last-minute ideas for fixings or sides: They'll be open from 7 a.m. until noon on Thanksgiving day, stocking plenty of vegetables, some ready to cook — thinkmashed potatoes, squash, carrots, sweet potatoes, broccoli, cauliflower, green beans and more.

• **Finesse Pastries** (968 Elm St., Manchester, 232-6592, [www.finessepastries.com](http://www.finessepastries.com)) has a holiday pie menu featuring apple, blueberry, pecan, pumpkin, lemon meringue with fresh lemon crème and chocolate crème with imported French chocolate for \$17.95. Small and large pumpkin and regular cheesecakes with graham cracker crusts are available for \$24.95 or \$29.95. Breakfast platters (\$60) and dessert and cookie platters (\$50) are also available, with assorted croissants, eclairs, swans, macarons, birch logs and more. Orders will be taken through Thursday, Nov. 15.

• **German John's Bakery** (5 W. Main St., Hillsborough, 464-5079, [www.germanjohnsbakery.net](http://www.germanjohnsbakery.net)) features Judi's Famous Bread Pumpkins, which look real and taste like gourmet white bread. They come in sizes from individual up to 4 pounds, which is recommended for parties of about 20 people, and are good for soup, dips or just a decorative way to serve bread. The bread pumpkins and other products, like pies, rolls and pretzels, can be picked up for the weekend before Thanksgiving, and frozen until the holiday, or picked up before 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 21. Order deadlines for the weekend before are Wednesday, Nov. 14, and Saturday, Nov. 17, for the day before Thanksgiving.

• **Great Harvest** (4 Sunapee St., Nashua, 881-4422, [www.greatharvestnashua.com](http://www.greatharvestnashua.com)) offers a slew of breads and sweets freshly baked each week. Try honey whole wheat, cinnamon chip, Parmesan oregano, cheddar garlic, spinach feta, Dakota, English muffin bread or others to complement your meal or eat with leftovers. A complete list is available online and order or walk-in purchase early, thanksgiving

• **Hart's Turkey Farm** (233 DW Highway, Meredith, 279-6212, [www.hartsturkeyfarm.com](http://www.hartsturkeyfarm.com)) is where to go if you have a huge guest list. Turkeys as big as 26 pounds with quarts of stuffing and gravy are available, and Hart's also has cranberry sauce, gravy, stuffing, whipped potatoes, squash, beans, beets, carrot relish, chutney, cornbread, rolls, pies (blueberry, chocolate chip, chocolate cream, mince, pecan, pumpkin, raspberry cream, squash and sugar-free apple), cheesecakes, sweet breads, chocolate and carrot cakes for order a la carte. The turkeys vary in price: \$20 for a 10-pound-

er, \$61 for a 15-pounder, \$71 for 20 pounds and \$83 for 26 pounds. Order early to pick up your bird on Wednesday, Nov. 21, to reheat at home or to pick up on Thanksgiving Day.

• **Jerome's Deli** (393 Bridge St., Manchester, 623-5358; 44 Nashua Road, Londonderry, 425-1820 [www.jeromesdeli.com](http://www.jeromesdeli.com)) has green bean casserole, gravy, mashed potatoes, butternut squash and other side dishes in different sizes. Call to discuss party size and amounts. Place orders by Monday, Nov. 19. Pickup is until 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 21.

• **Just Like Mom's Pastries** (353 Riverdale Road, Weare, 529-6667, [www.justlikemomspastries.com](http://www.justlikemomspastries.com)) has 40 varieties of pies and more than half as many cakes. There are dinner rolls, cookies, finger pastries and much more on the menu too. Saturday, Nov. 17, is the order deadline, pickup on Wednesday, Nov. 21.

• **Kay's Bakery** (443 Lake Ave., Manchester, 625-1132) offers pork, salmon, chicken and meat pies, plus apple, blueberry, Boston cream, custard, pumpkin, pecan and other pies. Kay's also stocks whoopie pies, fig lemon and raspberry squares, brownies, custard and spinach peta, baklava, spice cakes, danishes, muffins and other desserts, as well as Greek and French Canadian-style soups sold heat-serve as well. Call for availability or order by Saturday, Nov. 19, for the holiday.

• **Madeleines** (124 N. Main St., Concord, 224-5353, [www.madelienescakes.com](http://www.madelienescakes.com)) is taking holiday orders for tarts — apricot, apple, pear and fresh fruit — as well as occasion cakes and pastries, plus French-Canadian pork pie and gorton, soups and more. Orders must be in by Friday, Nov. 16, and picked up Wednesday, Nov. 21, by 3 p.m.

• **The Meat House** (254 Wallace Road, Bedford, 472-5444; 920 Central Avenue, Dover, 834-6328; 16 Sheep Davis Road, Pembroke, 227-5261; 75 Portsmouth Avenue, Exeter, 418-6557; 2222 Lafayette Road, Portsmouth, 422-6328, [www.themeathouse.com](http://www.themeathouse.com)) is selling all-natural fresh turkeys for cooking at home for \$3.29 per pound, organics at \$5.99 per pound and boneless turkey breast at \$6.99 per pound. Prepared and refrigerated sides include cranberry sauce, gravy, stuffing, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, and pies (such as pumpkin, key lime, apple and pecan) from Valley View in Hebron, Maine. Sides and pies can be pre-ordered with birds or picked up when they come in.

• **Michelle's Gourmet Pastries & Deli** (819 Union St., Manchester, 647-7150, [www.michelleepastries.com](http://www.michelleepastries.com)) has sweet cakes, pies and other pastries for Turkey Day. Place orders by Friday, Nov. 16, to score a preferred pickup date for apple, blueberry, pumpkin, lemon meringue, coconut cream, chocolate cream, Boston cream, banana cream, cherry, pecan, and Key Lime pies, as well as plain and fruit-topped cheesecakes or tarts, raspberry linzer and other delights.

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sett Road, Hooksett, 669-0891) will sell you the fixings — different varieties of stuffing, mashed potatoes, and homemade turkey gravy — to go with the 10- to 30-pound turkeys they've got for ordering by Friday, Nov. 16 — but the turkeys, you have to cook yourself.

• **Red Arrow 24 Hr. Diner** (61 Lowell St., Manchester, 626-1118; 63 Union Square, Milford, 249-9222, redarrowdiner.com) is making pies in a wide variety of flavors. Pork and salmon pies are also available. Order by Tuesday, Nov. 20, for pre-Thanksgiving pickup.

• **Shellie's Neighborhood Butcher Shop** (38 Crystal Ave., Derry, 505-4558, www.shelliesbutcher.com) is whipping up full Thanksgiving feasts that will serve 8 to 12 guests. Each feast includes a 12- to 14-pound farm fresh turkey, mashed potatoes and green bean casserole, traditional stuffing, sweet butternut squash, cranberry sauce, a quart of gravy, a dozen dinner rolls and an apple pie. The spread costs \$129; they'll cook the turkey for an extra \$10. Pick-up on Wednesday, Nov. 21.

• **Twelve Pine Restaurant & Gourmet Marketplace** (11 School St., Peterborough, 924-6140, www.twelvepine.com)

offers complete Thanksgiving dinners for four to six people that include a whole roasted 12- to 14-pound turkey from Stonewood Farm in Vermont, old-fashioned herbed stuffing, mashed potatoes, roasted autumn veggies,

green beans Amandine, cranberry orange relish, pumpkin soup, turkey gravy, a choice of two homemade pies, and dinner rolls. The full dinners can be ordered for \$149, \$269 for double the portions or a la carte for individual prices, available on the website. Orders must be placed by 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 20.

• **Walpole Thanksgiving Farmers Market** (Walpole Town Hall, 135 School St., 756-3168, walpolefarmersmarket.com) will bring agricultural products grown or produced in or near Walpole for sale in the town common on Saturday, Nov. 17, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stock up on fresh vegetables and meats, plus prepared foods, jams, herbs, maple syrup and breads, not to mention cutting boards, textiles, craft chairs and other goods.

• **Washington Street Catering and Café** (88 Washington St., Concord, 228-2000, www.washingtonstreetcatering.com) has turkey and fixings — stuffing, squash, mashed potatoes, dessert and more — for \$14.95 per person. Orders must be in by Friday, Nov. 16, to be picked up on Wednesday, Nov. 21. Pies are also available a la carte.

*Know of a restaurant, bakery or market offering Thanksgiving dishes or offering similar holiday help for Hanukkah, Christmas or New Year's? Tell us at food@hippopress.com.*



## Wine outlets host chefs

Cooking up food and drinks for Saturday lunches

By Luke Steere  
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The New Hampshire Liquor Commission is taking the idea behind its Summer Fun Tour and running with it.

Every Saturday from now through April, the NHLC is offering food and drink expert showcases at the New Hampshire Liquor & Wine Outlets' superstore at 25 Coliseum Ave., Nashua. Granite State restaurants will be preparing dishes from noon to 2 p.m. in the new state-of-the-art kitchen at the outlet and then pairing them with samples of drinks.

Chefs, sommeliers and mixologists will also share recipes and tips to build customers' creative cooking techniques and help people learn to pair food and wine. The outlet will offer savings deals on select wines and spirits, and in some cases special offers from featured restaurants will be available as well.

This is a first-time event that was inspired by the Summer Fun tour, which contributed to record sales for the commission.

First up on Nov. 3 was Napa East Wine Lounge & Shop, which prepared food paired with wines from Martignetti Companies of New Hampshire.

"With these events, I think there's a valuable synergy that goes on — not only is Napa East getting exposure, but we get to utilize

the beautiful kitchen the commission has installed, and it's a way to really get a sense of community and experience local restaurants," said Napa East General Manager and Sommelier Chris Riendeau. The event is a perfect showcase for Napa East's mission, which features more than 100 wines by the glass and builds a menu around pairing options. On Saturday, the restaurant did a live demo featuring Maryland crab cakes and passed out recipes for those and cherry braised short ribs.

"Pairing is as much a part of it as cooking, because there really are many different options in front of the consumer, and nowadays that's what they really want ... they've become far more savvy than 10 years ago and now gravitate to these sorts of tastings," Riendeau said.

The Martingale Wharf in Portsmouth has been scheduled for Nov. 10, and Saffron Bistro, 11Eleven Bistro, Hooked, Ignite and The Homestead have been scheduled for upcoming demonstrations.

Attendees will be able to watch the cooking process and get recipes from the chefs. Mollica said the exploration of new and creative options should be fun and informative, and also introduce customers to new products and support sales. Restaurants interested in participating can contact NHLC public relations representatives at 644-3200.

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• **Charity Thanksgiving meal:** Emmanuel Baptist Church (14 Mammoth Road, Hooksett) is holding a free Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, Nov. 22, at 1 p.m. Members of the church invite any and all in need of a sit-down dinner or company around the table for a turkey dinner with all the fixings. Seating is limited; reservations can be made by calling 668-6473 or through email at emmanuel-hooksett@gmail.com.

• **Holiday tapas bar:** On Thursday, Nov. 8, from 6 to 8 p.m. enjoy an evening of holiday tapas at the Concord Food Coop (24 S. Main St., Concord). Celebrate the holidays in good taste by dining on a dozen delicious tapas prepared by Celery Stick Café chefs and paired with wines and craft beers. The cost is \$10 per person and attendance is limited to 150 participants. RSVP by calling 225-6840 or emailing csm@concordfoodcoop.coop. Visit [www.concordcoop.com](http://www.concordcoop.com) to view the tapas menu. Ticket sales benefit the Friends Program.

• **Pie crust perfection:** Do you struggle to make homemade pie crust? With Thanksgiving approaching, stave off worry: head to the Pelham Public Library (24 Village Green, Pelham, 635-7581) Thursday, Nov. 15, at 6:30 p.m. to get advice from pastry chef Emily Erickson on making perfect pie crusts. Registration is \$2 and can be done at [liclibrary.org or by calling the library. Participants will bring home their own two-shell pie crust to use or freeze for Thanksgiving.](http://www.pelhampub-</a></p>
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• **Another eatery certified local:** Alison Ladman's Crust and Crumb Baking Company (126 N. Main St., Concord, 219-0763, [thecrustandcrumb.com](http://thecrustandcrumb.com)) "easily qualified" for the New Hampshire Farm to Restaurant Connection's local certification recently, said Charlie Burke, the Connection's president. Cheese, local fruit, produce and meat products sourced from the Granite State have been used for her sandwich dishes, a menu she began a few weeks after her opening in July, which itself was supported by the community with the help of a Kickstarter campaign.

• **Chef talks in Rye:** Rye Public Library (581 Washington Road, Rye, 964-8401) will host local author and chef Kathy Gunst to talk about her book *Notes from a Maine Kitchen* on Wednesday, Nov. 28, at 7 p.m. Gunst will talk through a month-by-month jaunt through Maine's food landscape — from ice fishing season to foraging for mushrooms, she'll describe how dishes and ingredients evolve throughout the season. To reserve a seat at the event, email library Director Andy Richmond at [arichmond@ryepubliclibrary.org](mailto:arichmond@ryepubliclibrary.org).

#### Food Listings Winter farmers markets

• **BEDFORD** Winter Market at Bedford Fields (Route 101) on the following Saturdays: Jan. 12 & 26 and Feb. 9 & 23, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Contact at 472-8880 or [www.bedfordfields.com](http://www.bedfordfields.com).

• **CANTERBURY** at the Canterbury Elementary School (15 Baptist Road) Nov. 14 to Dec. 12, 4 to 6:30 p.m. Visit [www.ccfma.net](http://www.ccfma.net) or call 783-4589.

• **CONTOOCOOK** 656 Gould Hill Road on Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., through May. Visit [www.harvesttomarket.com](http://www.harvesttomarket.com) or call 508-282-0094.

• **DANBURY** Blazing Star Grange (15 North Road) every first Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. through April. Visit [www.danburygrange.org](http://www.danburygrange.org) or call 768-5579.

• **DERRY** Upper Village Hall (52 E. Derry Road) on the first and third Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. through March. Call 434-8974 or email [farmersmkt@ci.derry.nh.us](mailto:farmersmkt@ci.derry.nh.us).

• **ENFIELD** Enfield Community Building (Route 4) every Sat. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. through April. Call 632-5026 or email [recreation@enfield.nh.us](mailto:recreation@enfield.nh.us).

• **EXETER** Exeter High School

(315 Epping Road) on Dec. 8, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 16 and April 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visit [www.seacoastlocal.org](http://www.seacoastlocal.org).

• **GREENLAND** Rolling Green Nursery (16 Breakfast Hill Road) on Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. through March. Visit [www.rollinggreennursery.com](http://www.rollinggreennursery.com) or call 436-2732.

• **HENNIKER** Parish Hall at the Congregational Church of Henniker (5 Maple St.) on Thursdays, 4 to 6 p.m. through May 3. Visit [www.harvesttomarket.com](http://www.harvesttomarket.com) or call 568-1562.

• **KEENE** Colony Mill Marketplace (149 Emerald St.) on the second and fourth Saturday of each month through April 10, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visit [www.keenefarmersmarket.com](http://www.keenefarmersmarket.com).

• **LACONIA** Indoors at Laconia Skate Escape Roller Rink (161 Court St.) every Thursday 3 to 6 p.m., excluding holidays and school vacation weeks. Visit [www.laconiaindoorwintermarket.weebly.com](http://www.laconiaindoorwintermarket.weebly.com).

• **LEBANON** Lebanon United Methodist Church (18 School St.) every third Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. through April. Visit [www.lebanonfarmersmarket.org](http://www.lebanonfarmersmarket.org) or call 448-5121

• **NEW LONDON** New London Elementary School (64 Cougar Court) Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visit [www.marketonthegreen.com](http://www.marketonthegreen.com) or call 865-9841.

• **NEWMARKET** Carpenter's Greenhouse (220 S. Main St.) on first and third Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. through April. Call 659-3391 or email [newmarketfarmer-smarket@gmail.com](mailto:newmarketfarmer-smarket@gmail.com).

• **NOTTINGHAM** Nottingham Municipal Complex (139 Stage Road, Route 152) second Sundays, 1 to 4 p.m., through March. Call 679-5392 or email [nottinghamfarmersmarket@gmail.com](mailto:nottinghamfarmersmarket@gmail.com).

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• **ROLLINSFORD** Wentworth Greenhouses (141 Rollins Road) on Nov. 17, Dec. 1, Dec. 22, Jan. 26, Feb. 23 and March 23, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Visit [www.seacoastlocal.org](http://www.seacoastlocal.org).

• **SALEM** Lake St. Garden Center (37 Lake St.) Sundays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. through May. Visit [www.salemnhfarmersmarket.com](http://www.salemnhfarmersmarket.com).

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# Mangia downtown

Deli and dinner Italian style in Manchester

By Luke Steere  
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The south end of Manchester's main downtown thoroughfare, Elm Street, is sparse compared to the city center, but it has potential, says Angelo Bruno.

He's trying to help fulfill that potential, having relocated Mangia Italian restaurant to 33a Elm Street, in a block of buildings beyond the Market Basket and Verizon Wireless Arena. There is parking right out front, and stepping inside the small, 25-seat establishment is like walking into a piazza in Capri, the tiny island in the Gulf of Naples that is Bruno's home.

"It's small, and just like in Italy it's like eating with a big family. I wanted to bring that feel to this country. I love that atmosphere where people know they're not just a number," Bruno said.

Mangia opened in 2005 as a deli on Londonderry Turnpike in Hooksett, and it thrived so much that customers asked Bruno for sit-down service, so after six months he remodeled to add a dining room. Over the last few years, the economic climate had Bruno pining for more visibility.

"It was slowing in Hooksett; we opened here in the third week of March and it's a good central location. Customers from Hooksett have been in.... But the new comers are great too," he said.

Drivers- and passers-by will stop in and give Mangia a try, Bruno said, and Elm Street's foodie appeal brings people for dinner, but he's open for lunch too. He's noticed that many Elm Street businesses serve breakfast and lunch but close at dinnertime.

His south Elm location is "not walkable from downtown, but it's nice for sit-down lunches if people have the time. There's parking and it's a comfortable atmosphere," Bruno said.

Toasted panini on ciabatta is his most popular lunch menu item, he said. Dinner and lunch feature simple Italian-style entrees, his favorites plucked from the different culinary regions of Italy and prepared as they would be there, using what's fresh in season.

The Milanese (\$9.95) with thin breaded chicken baked with mozzarella, lettuce and roasted peppers and the Campania (\$9.95) with sautéed onions, garlic, spinach, pine nuts, salt and pepper over sausage are popular sandwich choices, but many lunch-goers request their own variations. Homemade spaghetti, penne, fettuccine and other dishes are also available for between \$10 and \$13, along with several vinaigrette-splashed salads for less than \$9, but dinner is where the entrees really shine.



Angelo Bruno at Mangia's. Luke Steere photo.

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Between 2 and 5 p.m. each day, Mangia closes for dinner preparations. There is often a wait, so Bruno recommends reservations, though it's usually only 15 to 30 minutes for a table.

Gnocchi in tomato sauce with mozzarella cheese and a hint of cream (\$13.95) or meat and cheese raviolis (\$15.95, \$13.95), stuffed plump in tomato sauce, basil, parsley and Parmigiano, are prepared in-house. A kids' menu features meatballs, cheese and butter pasta, chicken fingers with a side of pasta and other dishes.

Bruno reminds people to bring their own alcohol, and he's looking into getting a liquor license. "I have one customer who is a wine seller and he was passing wine from table to table one night. It happens a lot. That adds to the decorations and makes it feel cozier. More like Italy," he said.

Over the past months, he said, the economic climate has been magnified by political campaigns, so people are worried about going out and spending money.

"It happens every four years. People will relax again after the election," he said.

There's also other businesses coming in — a barber is down the block and the Market Basket has brought in more people, as has the antique shop. "It's good for Elm Street and I'd like to see more," Bruno said, bringing out panini to employees doing renovations to the custom motorcycle shop being built next door. 🍷

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# Charbel's reopens as CD

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Luke Steere photo.

### CD Restaurant and Lounge

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Charbel Dagher is back.

CD Restaurant and Lounge (2323 Brown Ave., Manchester) has many of the same features that defined Charbel's, the previous restaurant he operated in the same location. Serving as executive chef and co-owner with his wife, Samia, Dagher is back to offering a menu that has "something for everyone."

"We do whatever we can to give people what they want," he said.

During the Daghers' brief hiatus, a restaurant called Eden occupied the spot and Dagher was planning to relocate to Florida and open a seafood restaurant, he said, but he decided to stay in Manchester when Eden closed. Although he renamed the restaurant, he brought back his dining and takeout menus of small, diverse Mediterranean/Italian/American dishes.

"Seafood that is fresh and high quality ... and the Lebanese food, we sell a lot of," Dagher said.

Baked, lobster-stuffed haddock is a popular menu item, as are the lobster rolls Dagher serves in the summer. Fall and winter bring clam chowder and lobster bisque, made in house with two other soups du jour that rotate, including Greek lemon and beef barley soups.

A selection of Lebanese dishes is a nod to Dagher's native country. Hummus and tabouli are made fresh to order for the kibbie combo plate (\$12.95), as are the grape leaves or cabbage stuffed with rice, ground sirloin and optional marinara (\$9.95). Kafta, broiled (\$11.95) or on a combo plate (\$13.95), is also available, a kabob of fresh ground lamb and beef with finely chopped parsley, onion and herbs.

"Lebanese dishes are popular because they're so healthy. We sell a lot of them for people looking to try a new cuisine or looking for something healthy and good," Dagher said.

His expertise in Lebanese food was acquired at a cooking school in Beirut. After graduating, he came to live and work in the United States in the 1970s. He bolstered his skills in Lebanese cuisine with seafood and other menu dishes, such as the pressed rotisserie chicken grinder smeared with a garlic spread and pickles (\$7.50) and black Angus prime rib burgers (\$6.95 to \$7.95).

CD's menu also features simpler sandwiches and wraps, and branches into pizzas and calzones, with specialties like Greek topping combos and steak-loaded; Italian dinners including sautéed veal piccata over pasta and baked lasagna in meat sauce and heartier entrees like sirloin tips casserole; Guinness- and espresso-braised short ribs with garlic mashed potatoes; and Froie Dialdo sautéed chicken with pepper, onion, garlic and marinara over linguini or penne.

Settling in central Massachusetts in the 1970s, Dagher began as a hotel chef in 1977 before moving north to New Hampshire and becoming a restaurant owner in 1982 on South Willow Street. He settled on the current location on Brown Ave. in 1996, opening Kirk's Greek Restaurant and then changing the name to Charbel's.

"Since moving to Brown Ave, there's been a lot of out-of-state traffic, a lot of Mass., Maine and people from as far away as Texas, coming from the airport," which is nearby, Dagher said, adding that his fried Ipswich clams are a hit with airline pilots.

"We changed the name, but people are still calling it Charbel's ... and they've been coming back," he said.

CD also does luncheon specials for \$5.50 of spaghetti and veal or meatballs, chicken fingers and other dishes. Those run until 4 p.m. each day, when the early-bird specials pick up. From 4 to 7 p.m., diners can enjoy a host of meals for \$8.95, such as fish and chips, broiled salmon or kafta, chicken pot pie or steak tips, all of which include a potato and vegetable. A prime rib can be had for \$11.95 during happy hour.

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- Chopped fresh chives for garnish

#### Directions

1. In large saucepan, combine squash and broth; bring to boil over high heat. Reduce heat to medium, cover pan and simmer squash for 20 minutes or until very tender
2. Uncover and let cool. Puree in blender or food processor.
3. Return puree to saucepan and place over medium-low heat. Stir in yogurt, cheese, Buttery spread and red pepper. Add salt and white pepper to taste. If squash lacks sweetness, add optional sugar.
4. Stir soup just until heated through (do not allow to boil).
5. Serve sprinkled with chives.

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# Squash

Winter squash is already everywhere, even though we are in the midst of fall. Gone are the days of summer squash on the grill as we enter this time of baking and broiling. Our diets change with the seasons based on what's available, what kind of cooking is convenient and the temperature outdoors. In New Hampshire, there is sure to be more local produce available in the summer, but it's surprising what our nearby farmers are up to in the squash department.

There are a number of squash from which to choose, but I am a huge fan of spaghetti squash because I think it might just be magical. When else can you substitute a vegetable for pasta and have your family be just as satisfied? Not to mention the serious difference in calories and nutritional value! Yes, I do believe spaghetti squash is magical and I urge you to try its powers on your families and loved ones.

Before it's cooked, the inside of spaghetti squash looks like almost all other winter squashes. Yet, once it's baked, its insides turn into strands that are easily scooped out with a spoon so they resemble spaghetti noodles. Slightly more yellow than real spaghetti, this squash may make your family do a double take at the dinner table.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1 cup of spaghetti squash has only 42 calories, making it the holy grail of pasta substitutions for any low-carb dieters. Eating a cup of this squash versus actual spaghetti can save you 33 grams of carbohydrates. Unless you're carbo-loading for some big race, I'd say that's a pretty good trade. This squash also has its fair share of fiber, vitamin C and calcium.

Like pasta, spaghetti squash is easy to cook. Rather than boiling it, like spaghetti, this squash should be baked for about a half an hour. Once it's baked and piping



## "Spaghetti" with Chicken, Peppers, Garlic & Sun-Dried Tomatoes

*Serves 4*

- 1 medium-large spaghetti squash
  - 2 chicken breasts, cut into bite-sized pieces
  - 1 bell pepper, sliced
  - 1 cup sun-dried tomatoes
  - 2 tablespoon minced garlic
  - olive oil for cooking and for sauce
  - salt and pepper to taste
  - Parmesan cheese to top
- Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Cut squash in half, long ways, and place cut side down on lined or nonstick cookie sheet sprayed with olive oil or cooking spray. Bake squash for 30 minutes, or until skin is punctured by a knife with little resistance. While squash bakes, sauté chicken in olive oil and garlic. Once almost done, add peppers and sun-dried tomatoes. When squash has finished baking, scoop out insides and place spaghetti-like "noodles" in large bowl. Add chicken mixture, salt and pepper to taste and a bit more olive oil. Mix together and serve like pasta, with cheese on top.

hot, it can be combined with your favorite ingredients to make a pasta-like dish. I've provided a recipe below, but feel free to try spaghetti squash any way you like your spaghetti. —Allison Willson Dudas

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# Artichoke hearts

Before the holiday season is in full swing, I like to take it easy in the kitchen. I know I have hours of cooking ahead of me, so when it comes to pre-holiday parties and dinners, I typically try and whip together quick, simple dips that everyone will enjoy. When a friend of mine showed up to my bridal shower with this dip in hand, I was green with envy. It's flavorful, simple and a classic, and yet I'd never made it at home. When pried for the recipe, she was vague on details, so I've been trying to experiment with different combinations of the ingredients and seasonings until I get it just right. This recipe for spinach artichoke dip from Paula Deen for the Food Network isn't quite the same as my friend's, but it's the closest I've found so far. In fact, I've started to keep one of the main ingredients prominently displayed in my pantry so I can experiment again and again.

The artichoke is a perennial plant in the same family as the sunflower, according to [whatscookingamerica.net](http://whatscookingamerica.net). There are more than 140 varieties of the plant, a native of the Mediterranean and the Canary Islands, but fewer than 40 are grown commercially. The crop is grown around the world, primarily in France, Italy and Spain, but nearly all the artichokes in the U.S. are grown in California. If grown to maturity, the artichoke plant can spread to cover an area about 6 feet wide and 3 to 4 feet tall. The part of the plant that we eat in so many dips, soups and sandwiches is the flower bud. If left to bloom, it would flower into a violet-blue blossom.

French immigrants are said to have brought artichokes to the U.S. in the 1800s when they settled the Louisiana Territory. The first U.S. commercial artichoke fields were developed in the Pelican State, but they disappeared by the 1940s. In the



20th century a member of the mafia in New York, *Ciro Terranova*, grew his reputation as the "Artichoke King." He purchased the produce being shipped in from California and resold it at a 30- to 40-percent markup, terrorizing distributors, merchants and event California artichoke fields in the dead of the night. While comical today, in the 1920s the mayor of New York, *Fiorello La Guardia* took the "artichoke wars" very seriously, going so far as to outlaw the vegetable for a week, until his love for the food forced him to lift the ban.

Fortunately, the mob scene isn't that invested in artichokes today, and you can pick them up at any grocery store around the country. For dips like this one, I like to keep jars of artichoke hearts around so I can mix up the hearty snack anytime my taste buds move me. Serve the dip warm with bread (in a bread bowl and you don't have to clean a dish afterward), pita crackers or pretzels. You'll love how quick and easy it is to throw this dip together and your friends will enjoy the treat at your next impromptu get-together. —*Lauren Mifsud* 🍷

### Hot Spinach-Artichoke Dip

*Recipe by Paula Deen*

- 1 (10-ounce) package frozen chopped spinach
- 2 (13¾-ounce) cans artichoke hearts
- ½ cup mayonnaise
- ½ cup sour cream
- 1 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 cup grated pepper jack cheese

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Grease a

casserole dish with nonstick spray. In the microwave, heat the spinach on high for about five minutes, then squeeze dry. Drain the artichoke hearts and coarsely chop (a food processor makes this part a breeze). Combine all of the ingredients except the pepper jack cheese in a large bowl and stir well. Scrape into the casserole dish and sprinkle the pepper jack cheese on top. Bake for 30 minutes. Serve warm.

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# Community crunch

## At Courser's, buy a share to keep the granola coming

By Luke Steere  
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It's a bakery for our times.

When Emma Bates began learning about baking from her grandmothers, gluten-free food and veganism were not in the picture. These days Bates, on a gluten-free diet with her husband, David, who is vegan, has been transforming recipes for years.

Bates, née Courser, grew up around the Courser Farm in Warner, which her family has owned for a little more than a century. She and her parents moved in with her grandparents when Bates was in her early 20s. At the behest of her aunt and uncle, she began experimenting with gluten-free and vegan alternatives to the recipes for their now-closed café, Clovis Moon.

"I couldn't bake those types of foods in her kitchen — it's easy to contaminate with flour or other ingredients. I always loved to bake and had been eating gluten-free for three years, so I got my kitchen certified," Bates said.

That was back in late 2010. By 2011 she had started the Courser Farm Kitchen to give her products more exposure. She now sells at the Winter Hill Farm Market, Yan-

kee Farmers Market, Richardson's Farm and The Crust & Crumb Bakery, among other places. For the most part, recipe-tweaking requires eliminating ingredients and lots of trial-and-error baking.

"It always depends on the recipe. Everything from apple sauce, mashed bananas or pureed tofu can be used to substitute for taste. There are so many different things to try what you're going for in taste and texture. Flax seed and chia seeds, for example, are good egg substitutes. And coconut flour and almond flour are interesting alternative flours to try," she said.

Chocolate chip, cranberry oatmeal and molasses cookies, double chocolate, walnut and peanut butter brownies, and peanut butter and maple walnut blondies are among the sweet selections the kitchen offers.

Bates makes loaves of oatmeal and dark seed bread too, and cakes and cupcakes in basic chocolate, vanilla and spice flavors or red velvet and, as a special for the fall, pumpkin.

Bates said she based her granola recipe on what she has been serving to her own family for a long time, a combination of her own recipe with ideas from her mother-in-law's recipe.

"It was something I started making when

I was young ... it's not that complicated and can be customized the way you like, and you're able to throw in whatever you have. I started making it for customers. People really loved it and sell out really quickly, so I tried to add flavors and began to sell it as CSA shares," she said.

The shares are distributed over 12 weeks to farmers markets and the other locations that carry Bates' products. Different flavors are packaged and given out on a first-come, first-served basis. Almond cranberry is Bates' original recipe. The maple nut is made for those with allergies who can't have dried fruit, like the cranberry or, her personal favorite, the tropical orange with oranges and tangerine extract. These, along with other flavors, are sweetened with maple syrup the Coursers produce on the farm.

Her granola CSA runs from October through December. Ten-ounce granola bags can be picked up once a month is \$22.50, for six weeks, \$45 and a full 12 weeks is \$80. The CSA's popularity has been catching on since the first one last spring, Bates said.

"I'm going to be adding apple spice and pumpkin favors for next week, and people are still welcome to jump on. I'm also



Emma Bates, founder and head baker of the Courser Farm Kitchen. Courtesy photo.

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doing one [that will start in] early January," she said.

Offering eating options like baked good and granola, Bates said, is a service she's happy to share with people.

"I've had no formal training, and growing up I was definitely 'regular person' eating-wise ... but at different times I've been vegan or vegetarian, or gluten-free, and, it's better nowadays, but there were definitely times where it was hard to find something edible."

"Now, I'm happy to share it with people on that same journey," she said. 🍓

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# Ice cream cake

I do not believe it is possible to be too full for ice cream. No matter how lavish the meal, no matter how thoroughly you have indulged, there is always a little pocket available for ice cream, especially at a celebratory event.

This phenomenon might explain why my mother's homemade ice cream cake is one of the most-requested birthday desserts in my family. It is deceptively simple to make, elegantly impressive on the serving plate and unexpectedly delicious on the palate.

It is also infinitely adaptable. This particular version was concocted by my mother for my coffee-addicted husband's birthday. But once you understand the basics — crust, ice cream, filling, ice cream, whipped cream, topping — you can easily customize this cake to your own needs.

Try dark chocolate ice cream topped with raspberries, M&Ms sandwiched between layers of vanilla and chocolate, or a vanilla wafer crust with colorful sherbets. Crushed Oreos, nuts, and caramel sauce all make excellent fillings. Decorate the top with



your favorite candy (halved peanut butter cups, perhaps?) or cookie (Girl Scout Thin Mints!).

Though these cakes are easy to make, each layer must spend some time in the freezer before the next one can be added, so make sure to plan ahead. But as long as you give yourself enough time, the recipe is both foolproof and a guaranteed party hit. Enjoy. —Sarah Shemkus

## Frozen Mochaccino Ice Cream Cake

*This recipe comes from the brain and kitchen of my mother.*

1 15-ounce package chocolate sandwich cookies (such as Oreos)  
2 tablespoons butter, melted  
1½ quarts chocolate ice cream  
1½ quarts coffee ice cream  
¼ cup chocolate syrup  
2 cups heavy or whipping cream  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
2 tablespoons confectioners, more or less  
Chocolate shavings or mini-chocolate chips, for garnish  
Pulse cookies in food processor (or place cookies in a large plastic bag and crush with a rolling pin) until they form coarse crumbs. Transfer crumbs to a large bowl. Drizzle melted butter over cookie crumbs and stir until combined. Press mixture evenly into the bottom of an 11-inch springform pan.

Place pan in freezer until crust firms up, about 15 minutes. In the meantime, remove chocolate ice cream from freezer to soften. After about five minutes, transfer the ice cream into a large bowl, and chop into pieces for more even softening. When the ice cream is spreadable, remove pan from freezer, and spread ice cream evenly over crust. Drizzle with chocolate syrup and return to freezer until ice cream is firm, at least 30 minutes.

Remove coffee ice cream from freezer and soften as above. Spread evenly over chocolate layer. Return pan to freezer and whip cream with vanilla and sugar to taste, until soft peaks form. Spread whipped cream evenly over top ice cream layer. Garnish with chocolate shavings or chips and return cake to freezer overnight.

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# A vineyard to visit

WindRoc is 36 acres of history and flavor

By Stefanie Phillips  
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I love that New Hampshire has an abundance of wineries, really good wines and new vineyards opening up all the time. I recently added WindRoc Vineyard in Newfields to my ever-growing list of favorite places to visit. If you haven't been there and met Jerry Hillard, which is entirely possible because he only opened in May of this year, add it to your to-do list. You will not be disappointed on any account.

The winery is situated on the Hillard's 36-acre farm in a beautifully restored barn with a deep-rooted history. Built in 1794 by Issac Jenness, the property was once an inn and working farm. It changed hands a few times, but as the story goes, the fields on the farm were very windy and the land is known for its abundance of granite. Hence, the name WindRoc was born as a tribute to the property's history. The farm crops have since been replaced with several rows of grapes, as Hillard is currently growing several varietals to see what will flourish best.

It's clear from his wines that Hillard is not new to the winemaking process, but now that he's got a fully licensed winery, the public is able to experience the fruits of his labor. During a recent visit, my friend and I got a tour through the winemaking area of the barn, which houses several 132-gallon tanks. Though it may not be the largest winery in the state, it is cozy and fits the property's feel of New England country. Hillard had his apple wine mulling with cider spices in a crockpot, so the winery smelled amazing.

If you aren't already impressed with the winery itself when you first arrive, you will be impressed when you start tasting. Even my friend, who typically only enjoys fruit wines, enjoyed nearly everything Hillard poured into her glass. A list on the wall rates the wines' sweetness on a scale from one to five, which helps guests determine which wines to try depending on their tastes.

I can't say I disliked anything that went into my glass at WindRoc, coined "New Hampshire's most likable new vineyard," though I had a few favorites.

For white wines, I tried the Cayuga, which is bright and crisp, with fruit flavors of green apple, grapefruit, citrus and kiwi.

For red wines, I first tried the Amarone, an Italian-style dry red that has a nice cherry aroma, with earthy flavors and a slightly spicy, peppery finish. Anyone who enjoys drier wines, especially Italian reds, will like this wine.

Next, I tried the Windsong, a lighter-bodied, refreshing wine Hillard said is great for



WindRoc Vineyard. stephanie Phillips photo

summer. It has bright berry flavors and a cranberry finish that is slightly tart.

The last red I tried was the Rubyroc, a European style, semi-sweet dessert wine, which has flavors of black cherry, caramel, mocha and vanilla. This wine has a nice, long finish and is rich and bold.

Hillard had already sold out of zinfandel but was working on another batch and an Ed's Red blend. He has since bottled Veritage.

Overall, I enjoyed WindRoc's fruit wines best. Hillard uses local produce, including Bartlett pears from the tree in his backyard and berries from Applecrest Farm. Hillard had mulled his apple wine with some spices, a little bit of water and some brown sugar in a crock pot for a few hours, which made a perfect fall drink.

The Bartlett pear wine is sweet and subtle, with a delicate pear flavor. The blueberry is off dry, with a great aroma true to the fruit, made from New Hampshire-grown wild blueberries. The strawberry wine is also made from New Hampshire fruit, hand trimmed and fermented whole to produce a delicious semi-sweet fruit wine.

My two favorites were the red raspberry and blackberry, which we tried with dark chocolate. The red raspberry is a lovely ruby hue with excellent raspberry flavors that epitomize the fruit. It is just the right balance of sweet yet slightly tart. The blackberry, made from whole berries, is also a sweeter dessert-style wine that mimics red wine in its structure. The dark chocolate brought out the berry's characteristics wonderfully.

Overall, I was very impressed with WindRoc. The atmosphere is cozy and welcoming, the wines are fabulous and Hillard is a great host. I can't wait to see this winery grow and get even better with time.

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# Red, white and green

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There's nothing quite like gathering the family around a large table (or balancing plates on your lap) and eating a Thanksgiving dinner. But wine has always been a challenging part of the day. What goes with turkey, stuffing, cranberry and potatoes? Lighter reds and bigger whites are a nice place to start, and that's exactly what we did this week.

Our first wine is a **2010 Ravines Dry Riesling** (\$15.99) from the Finger Lakes in upstate New York. This is a great example of the solid winemaking coming out of New York. The name of this wine tips its hat at how dry it is, and that makes it a perfect wine to go with some of the sweeter elements of a Thanksgiving dinner. The color of the wine is silver with a touch of straw. For a nose we found grapefruit peel. For flavors we found a pleasant non-puckering lemon; the overall mouth feel was clean and crisp with just a touch of sweet to balance out the wine's acidity. Though we felt that this wine would go better with the white meat, it would still hold up to some of the fattier darker meat and the stuffing and potatoes.

Our second wine was from across the country, a **2010 The Crusher Pinot Noir** from Wilson Vineyard (\$13.99) in Clarksburg, a growing region near Sacramento on the San Francisco Bay side. Pinots have



become quite expensive lately, so it's nice to find a good one for less than \$15. The Crusher is garnet in color with notes of subdued dried fruit including cherries. This is a more earthy pinot than most. For flavors we found nice tannins (though on the lighter side) and a nice structure with earthy tones and acid to balance out the berries. Though a

light-looking wine, it had the structure and tannins to hold up to the stuffing and fatty dark meat of the turkey.

Each week in "Red, White & Green," two wine-lovers look at red and white wines, none over \$20 (and most under \$15), in an attempt to find some great bottles for good prices. All prices are according to the state liquor store ([nh.liquor.state.nh.us](http://nh.liquor.state.nh.us)) unless otherwise stated. 🍷

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# POP CULTURE

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## CALVIN HARRIS, *18 MONTHS* COLUMBIA RECORDS, OCT. 30



Scottish producer Harris's third full-length artist LP will be remembered more for its incremental softening of today's house-music sound than its hooks, which are good but a bit refried. More and more I'm hearing a trend toward progressive trance, which I have no problem with, while the top players fumble around looking for a sound that's kickass-ish. The CSI goes thusly: Grime rapper Diz-zee Rascal blows doors over "Here 2 China" in answer to Tinie Tempah's lukewarm flows laid down for the

equally tepid electro of "Drinking from the Bottle"; Florence Welch explores her trance-diva side in "Sweet Nothing"; Ellie Goulding adorns the superball-bouncing "I Need Your Love" with her trademark breathy wisps; DJ Nicky Romero contributes laid-back vocals and spastic wub-wubs to "Iron." The retro funk-electro "School" is unnecessary comic relief, a halfhearted David Guetta-style contribution to an imaginary Fat Albert soundtrack. **B-** —Eric W. Saeger

## POS, *WE DON'T EVEN LIVE HERE* RHYMESAYER RECORDS, OCT. 22



From Minneapolis's Doomtree collective comes the fourth LP from Stefon Alexander, or "POS" if you insist. It's a really good indie hip-hop album, a production-value step up for our old pals at Rhymesayers, a perfectly snarked-up view from the skull of your typical high-IQ kid who grew up listening to Jay-Z, AM-radio circa Outkast, etc. The noise-beats are the best things here, such as when Doomtree cohort Lazerbeak appears on the broke-down Jay-Z-ish single "F-- Your

stuff." One thing about this guy is his outsider's slant on the self-destructed Occupy movement; he says "I got A1 credit on my come-and-get-it card" on "All of It," peering at the well-behaved protesters and wondering what exactly they thought they were accomplishing. He's probably a decent comedian in real-life too, judging from the irreverent one-offs that bookend his flows, like when he wise-asses about club-life "No shirt, no shoes, no snervice. Snerviously." OK, you'd have to hear it, I suppose. Astronautalis gets a feat. on "Wanted Wasted." **A** —Eric W. Saeger

## PLAYLIST

*A Seriously Abridged Compendium of Recent and Future CD Releases*

• A long time ago in a bad-actress factory far far away, Kristen Stewart was born. One of the chain-smoking elves at the bad-actress factory taught her to convey angst ("no, bulge your eyes *harder!*"), and somehow her brain got stuck in that mode, where she continues making jillions of dollars to this day. Musical bands of many types (goth-emo, pop-emo, goth-pop and just-plain-horrible) love attaching themselves to this awful, terrible actress and her vampire-romance cartoon franchise, so all the busy rock stars jockeyed for a spot on the new **soundtrack** for *Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn, Part 2*, which will be out on Tuesday. The winning bands include Feist, Green Day and Christine Perri. Actually, Christine Perri isn't so bad, but that's the whole matrix behind this disturbing vampire-teen-angst abomination: You don't know whether to hate it (smart people) or love it (your 6-year-old thinks it's cool). Such tough decisions to be made, making the right choices in this culture of relentless cartoonish posturing and angst.

• Remember the Olympics, last summer, in England? At some point during the Parade of Musical Idiots in the closing ceremonies, you may remember sitting up (or at least in some position that could be considered "not completely prone") when pop-boy-band **One Direction** lip-synched to a few bars of their song "What Makes You Beautiful." No? Come on, admit it, if I didn't completely hate that song's guts, you must have at least been sort of like "I've heard Backstreet Boys do worse." Well, this awesome, soon-to-be-forgotten musical powerhouse releases their second full-length LP *Take Me Home* on Tuesday, and it includes their new hit single "Live While We're Young," a can't-miss for people who love Abercrombie & Fitch print ads and avoiding anything of substance.

• Gahh, it's the new money-sucking vacuum-device for your **Beatles** fan, for Christmas! The *Beatles Stereo Vinyl Box Set*, due out next week, is 16 vinyl discs for \$319. Fun fact: \$319 would feed an entire Somalian village for 10 years, just so's you know. Also, \$319 would cover all costs of living in Costa Rica for you and your spouse, did you know that?

• Remember that *Keeping Up Appearances* British lady, Mrs. Buh-KAY, and how **Susan Boyle** became her opera-singing doppelganger, around the time people were trying to figure out what exactly the angle was with that whole stupid *American Idol* thingamajig? Now, if I told you that Susan Boyle had an album coming out on Tuesday called *Standing Ovation: The Greatest Songs from the Stage*, what would be the one song you would be absolutely sure is on there? Yes, correct, "Send in the Clowns." The song you associate with Mrs. Buh-KAY is indeed on there. It'd be like Slayer releasing a best-of album without "Angel of Death" on there, feel me?

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## POP CULTURE

# Constitution course

New series may boost NH's civics knowledge

By Kelly Sennott  
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Quick: Name the three branches of government.

If you answered correctly — executive, judicial, legislative — you're in the minority. Only two out of five Americans even know that we have three branches of government, and only a third of Americans can name all three, according to Rick Shenkman's *5 Myths About Those Civic-Minded, Deeply Informed Voters*.

The New Hampshire Supreme Court Society, New Hampshire Humanities Council, UNH School of Law and the newly formed New Hampshire Institute for Civic Education say that it's a matter of voter education.

These organizations have come together to create "Constitutionally Speaking," a series of public events and professional development opportunities for New Hampshire teachers. The idea is to ensure that civics education starts in kindergarten and that high school graduates have a good understanding of how government works.

It's important, said Kathy Smith, project director of Constitutionally Speaking, because a democracy is no good if the people aren't informed. She quotes Thomas Jefferson: "If a nation expects to be ignorant and free, in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be."

Some blame our civics ignorance on schools' need to teach to tests that focus on math and English. Civics is taught and tested too, but there's no standard curriculum, Smith said.

Research publicized by the Institute for Civics Education indicates college-educated individuals were almost twice as likely to vote as those without a college education in 2008 — 62 percent vs. 36 percent.

"What we really want to do is increase the knowledge of civics," among citizens, Smith said. The primary idea is to create a better curriculum in the long run, but this effort is not just geared towards kids K-12, Smith said. Studies show that a more-informed public is likely to become more involved; knowing the rules, and knowing how government can be changed, may create more involvement.

"Once you do that, there are all kinds of things that can happen; People may volunteer more, vote more, become more informed about issues," she said. "Knowing about the Constitution is not going to do all of those things — but what it will emphasize is the importance of the individual actor in a democracy."

There's a perception that civic culture is in peril, that our leaders have forgotten how to compromise for the good of the nation, Smith said. She thinks of the founding fathers: "They didn't agree, but they were able to compromise," Smith said. And while they didn't always make the best moral decisions (she notes the 3/5 compromise), they were able to make decisions to move forward.

The organization offers two tracks. "One is for teachers and administrators, many of whom are already facilitating the conversation on local issues in the community," Smith said. "The other is for the public — particularly, those public members who want to continue to learn about ... civility and the meaning of the Constitution." The program had its start on Sept. 14, with an on-stage conversation between retired U.S. Supreme Court Justice David H. Souter and Margaret Warner, senior correspondent for PBS *Newshour*, at the Capitol Center for the Arts in Concord, which was filled to capacity, with 1,300 people attending, Smith said.

The next event in the series will happen Saturday, Nov. 17, at the University of New Hampshire School of Law. Organizers hope to get commitments from attending parents, educators and community leaders to facilitate discussions about the Constitution in their homes, classrooms and communities.

The overall hope is that New Hampshire will become a national model for civics education. 🍷

## Constitutionally Speaking

- **"The Conversation Continues: How Does the Constitution Keep Up with the Times?"** symposium will be on Saturday, Nov. 17, at the UNH School of Law in Concord. Register to attend at [constitutionallyspeakingnh.com](http://constitutionallyspeakingnh.com). Presenters include Dartmouth Professor Sonu Bedi; Vermont Law School Professor Michele Martinez Campbell; retired New Hampshire Supreme Court Justice James Duggan; Georgetown Law Visiting Professor Judith Richards Hope; New York Times columnist Adam Liptak; UNH Law Professor Calvin Massey; Swarthmore Professor Carol Nackenoff; and Suffolk Law Professors Patrick Shin and Jessica Silbey.
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**Comet's Tale: How the Dog I Rescued Saved My Life**, by Steven D. Wolf with Lynette Padwa (Algonquin, 257 pages)

In this age of the self-published e-book and the ever cheapening vanity press, there's a luster about any title released in hardcover from an established publisher. Pick up a well-designed book from, say, Algonquin, and you expect a level of storytelling that dramatically exceeds the norm, a plot with a pleasant thrum of tension, and a cohesive narrative that justifies your investment of time and money.

On all these, *Comet's Tale* spectacularly fails to deliver. In fact, what looks to be a feel-good, uplifting, expertly told story is so bad in places that I was tempted to commit random acts of violence, such as winging a lamp with this book. It should have been good. Steven Wolf's experience of adopting a greyhound on whim, in the middle of a crippling period of spinal degeneration, is a credible hook, and the dog, Comet, is perhaps the most winsome animal character to come along since Winnie the Pooh.

But if the dog is as intelligent and wise as Wolf makes her out to be, he should have let Comet pen the book. Then, we could forgive its failings, write them off to the difficulties of interspecies translation. As it is, we have only human beings to blame for lines such as, "Her long tail slapped down between her legs, and she glared at me in astonishment."

"Astonishment" and "glare" don't mix any more than oil and water. Or Wolf and Padwa, I should say. But the authors love the word "glare" and it appears copiously, to the point of distraction, throughout the book.

A whole lot of glaring goes on, much of it between the author and his wife, Freddie, a Frenchwoman who should have stuck with Frederique. Freddie likes to call her husband "Wolfie," an ill-fitting endearment, and too much information, given that we're talking about not Eddie Van Halen's son but a middle- to past-middle-aged lawyer who was fired from his firm and now spends much of his time lying on the couch in back pain while a dog gazes at him adoringly.

But it's Freddie this, and Wolfie that,

like some kind of Stephen Sondheim musical, and we really don't want to be in this love story, particularly since Freddie comes across as kind of a jerk, prone to talking to her pain-riddled husband in fits of foul sarcasm, and then walks out on him toward the end of the book.

When the marriage threatens to implode, we don't really care and, in fact, are pulling for Wolf to dump this shrew and re-marry his first wife, the mother of his two girls. The caustic Freddie makes Cinderella's stepmother look like June Cleaver. When Wolf is living alone in Sedona, Ariz. — separated from his family because the Nebraska cold makes his back worse, and neither the girls nor his wife can be inconvenienced to help their agonized husband and father by moving — we are open-mouthed at the familial neglect, so much so that we would forget all about the dog, except that it's the dog who's having to provide all of the author's care.

When Wolf collapses from a bout of food poisoning, Comet is there. When Wolf falls and breaks a rib and lies prone for 12 hours without help, Comet is there. In the end, it's Comet who loves, honors and protects, and at the end of this book, you'll forget all about same-sex vows and be howling for the immediate institution of interspecies marriage.

The greyhound, Comet, is amazing. She deserves a book. But she didn't deserve *this* book. There are two reasons to buy it: If you're thinking about adopting a greyhound, or if you drive a car with a "Who rescued who?" bumpersticker on it. Otherwise, if you want an uplifting animal tale, read anything by Jon Katz, or Stacey O'Brien's *Wesley the Owl*.

O'Brien had the good sense not to write her story until after Wesley had passed. Comet is still alive, and while I don't wish anyone dead, her continued existence seems yet another flaw in the book. It's an unfinished tale. At the ripe old age of 14, Comet presumably won't live much longer, and some editor should have suggested to hold off on publication for a few years and see how this story plays out. And, for that matter, if ol' Wolfie and Freddie are still married. Those are odds that wouldn't look so good at the nearest greyhound track. C—Jennifer Graham

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16 E. Main St., Warner,  
456-2700, [mainstreetbook-ends.com](http://mainstreetbook-ends.com)
- **River Run Books**  
Portsmouth, 431-2100, [river-runbookstore.com](http://river-runbookstore.com)
- **Toadstool Bookshop**  
586 Nashua St., Milford,  
673-1734, [toadbooks.com](http://toadbooks.com).

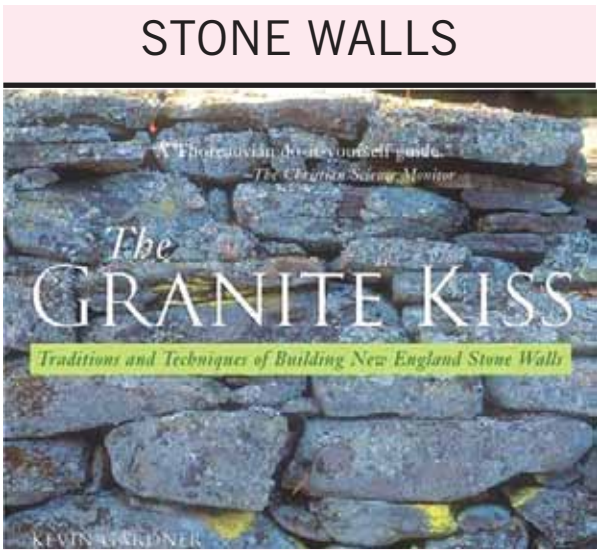
Other

- **Manchester Historic Association**  
200 Bedford St., 622-7531, [manchesterhistoric.org](http://manchesterhistoric.org)
- **New Hampshire Humanities Council**  
117 Pleasant St., Concord,  
224-4071, [www.nhhc.org](http://www.nhhc.org)
- **New Hampshire State Library**  
20 Park St., Concord,  
[www.nh.gov/nhsl](http://www.nh.gov/nhsl)
- **New Hampshire Writers' Project**  
SNHU, 2521 N. River Road,  
Manchester, 314-7980, [nhwritersproject.org](http://nhwritersproject.org)
- **Rivier College**  
420 Main St., Nashua,  
888-1311, [rivier.edu](http://rivier.edu).
- **UNH Manchester**  
400 Commercial St., Manches-  
ter, 641-4101, [unhm.unh.edu](http://unhm.unh.edu)
- **World Affairs Council of NH**  
SNHU, 2500 N. River Road, Man-  
chester, 314-7970, [wacnh.org](http://wacnh.org)

Author events

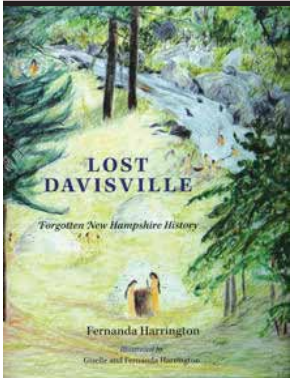
- **BETSY WOODMAN** will present her newest novel, *Jana Bibi's Excellent Fortunes*, on Thurs., Nov. 8, at 4 p.m., at Colby-Sawyer College, 541 Main St., New London.
- **FORREST GANDER** will be at the Silver Center for the Arts (17 High St., Plymouth, 800-779-3869) on Thurs., Nov. 8, at 7 p.m. as part of the Eagle Pond Authors' Series.
- **DENNIS NILES** will read from and sign his new book *BWLF* on Fri., Nov. 9, at 7 p.m., at River-Run Bookstore in Portsmouth.
- **FERNANDA HARRINGTON** author of *Lost Davisville* will visit the MainStreet BookEnds gallery

- for a three-part continuing series, “History of the Early Settlement in Central New Hampshire,” on Sat., Nov. 10, at 4 p.m.; and Sat., Nov. 17, at 4 p.m., at MainStreet BookEnds of Warner, 16 E. Main St., Warner, 456-2700, [mainstreetbookends.com](http://mainstreetbookends.com).
- **ARCHER MAYOR** signs and discusses his latest Joe Gunther mystery, *Paradise City*, on Sat., Nov. 10, at 2 p.m. at The Toadstool Bookshop, 12 Depot Sq., Peterborough, 924-3543. Free.
  - **DON MCCULLOUGH** will sign copies of his memoir, *Danny Boy*, on Sat., Nov. 10, 1-3 p.m., at Kelley’s Row Restaurant, 421 Central Ave., Dover, 750-7081, [kelleysrow.com](http://kelleysrow.com). Limited number of copies on sale at event.
  - **REBECCA RULE** will promote *The Iciest, Diciest, Scariest Sled Ride Ever!* on Sat., Nov. 10, 1-3 p.m., at the NH Farm Museum, 1305 White Mountain Highway, Milton, 652-7840 (includes talk by illustrator Jennifer Thermes, free); Sat., Nov. 19, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., at The Toadstool Bookshop, 614 Nashua St., Milford, 673-1734; on Sat., Dec. 1, 10 a.m.-noon, at Colby Christmas Tree Farm, 342 High St., Boscawen, 796-2857; Wed., Dec. 5, 4-6 p.m., at Barnes & Noble, 45 Gosling Road, Newington, 422-7733; Sat., Dec. 8, 1-3 p.m., at The Christmas Dove, 11 Christmas Lane, Barrington, 664-7712; and Sat., Dec. 15, at 2 p.m., with a visit with Santa, at The Bookmonger, Town Square, Waterville Valley, 236-4544.
  - **LOIS MCMASTER BUJOLD** will speak about her book, *Captain Vorpatril's Alliance* on Sat., Nov. 10, at 11 a.m., at Toadstool Bookshop (614 Nashua St., Milford, 673-1734).
  - **KEVIN GARDNER** discuss the history and creation of New Hampshire’s stone walls through his book *The Granite Kiss* at the Derry Public Library (64 E. Broadway, Derry, 432-6140) on Sat., Nov. 10, at 2 p.m.
  - **BARBARA MEYERS** will discuss her book *Common Ground, Uncommon Gifts; Growing Peace and Harmony through Stories, Reflections and Practices* in the Natural World, at MainStreet BookEnds, 16 E. Main St., Warner, 456-2700, [mainstreetbookends.com](http://mainstreetbookends.com), on Sun., Nov. 11, at 1 p.m.
  - **CRAIG CHILDS** talks about his new book, *Apocalyptic Planet*, on Mon., Nov. 12, at 7 p.m., at RiverRun Bookstore, 142 Fleet St., Portsmouth, 431-2100, [river-runbookstore.com](http://river-runbookstore.com).
  - **COLM TOIBIN** will talk about his latest work, *The Testament of Mary*, on Wed., Nov. 14, at 7:30 p.m., at The Music Hall Loft, 131 Congress St., Portsmouth, [themusichall.org](http://themusichall.org), 436-2400. Tickets are \$37, which includes a copy of



Gardner, author of *The Granite Kiss*, will talk about his latest book, *Discovering New England Stone Walls*, on Saturday, Nov. 10, at 2 p.m. at the Derry Public Library, 64 E. Broadway, Derry, 432-6140, [derrylib@derrypl.org](mailto:derrylib@derrypl.org). He’ll discuss the history, aesthetics and philosophy of the craft of placing stone, drawing on his 25 years of experience in building and repairing.

## NATIVE NH



On Saturday, Nov. 10, at 4 p.m., Fernanda Harrington, author of *Lost Davisville*, will give a slide presentation about the “History of Early Settlement in Central New Hampshire: The Catastrophe of Rural Abandonment, Part II” at MainStreet MarketPlace and Gallery, 16 E. Main St., Warner. Harrington’s book documents the ancient history of the Pennacook Indians, the social and political struggle of early settlement, and the long period of decline that occurred through northern New England. This presentation is the second of a three-part series; the final occurs on Saturday, Nov. 17, at 4 p.m. This heavily illustrated book is for readers of all ages. Visit [mainstreetbookends.com](http://mainstreetbookends.com) or call 456-2700.

- the book, bar beverage and book signing meet-and-greet.
- **DAWN, THE LITERARY JOURNAL OF RIVIER INSTITUTE FOR SENIOR EDUCATION** AUTHORS will read and discuss their prose on Fri., Nov. 16, 6:30-8 p.m., at the Toadstool Bookshop, Lorden Plaza, 614 Nashua St., Route 101A, Milford. Free. Copies of the book will be available for \$5.
  - **JOAN WICKERSHAM** will talk about and sign her new book, *The News From Spain: 7 Variations on a Love Story* on Sat., Nov. 17, at 2 p.m., at The Toadstool Bookshop, 12 Depot Square, Peterborough, 924-3543.
  - **JAY MCINERNEY** will talk about his newest collection of wine essays, *The Juice*, at the

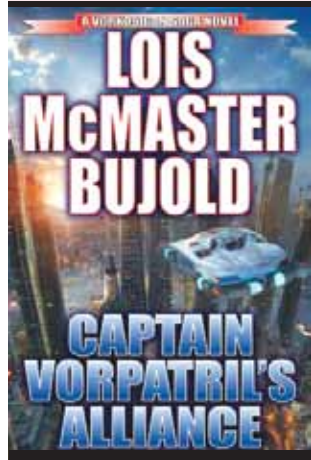
- Music Hall Loft (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 766-2192) on Thurs., Nov. 29, at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$41. Visit [www.themusichall.org](http://www.themusichall.org).
- Lectures and discussions**
- **PEACE EFFORTS IN PALESTINE** by Iyad Burnat will describe his village’s non-violent popular resistance movement on Thurs., Nov. 8, at Community Church, 17 Main St., Durham. Visit [nhvfp.net](http://nhvfp.net). Free.
  - **BOB COPELAND ON WEATHER** Historic Belknap Mill’s 189th Anniversary Dinner on Fri., Nov. 9, at 5:30 p.m., at the mill, 25 Beacon St., Laconia, features Boston weatherman Bob Copeland about NH weather and the Blizzard of 1978. Visit [belknapmill.org](http://belknapmill.org) or call Nancy at

- 524-8813 for pricing.
- **SALLY MATSON AS SUSAN B. ANTHONY** at the next meeting of the Nashua Historical Society at the Florence Speare Museum, 5 Abbott St., Nashua, on Tues., Nov. 13, at 7:30 p.m. All invited; light refreshments served. Call 883-0015.
  - **FINDING SIGNALS IN THE NOISE** presentation by UNH Mathematics professor Kevin Short, on Tues., Nov. 13, 7-9 p.m., in the Pandora Mill building, 88 Commercial St., first floor, room P126. Call 641-4320.
  - **BRAVING THE MIDDLE GROUND OF STORIES OF PRE-REVOLUTIONARY NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND** presentation by Jo Radner on Wed., Nov. 14, at 2 p.m., at the Mariposa Museum (26 Main St., Peterborough, 924-4555). Free. Visit [mariposamuseum.org](http://mariposamuseum.org).
  - **YOUR BUSINESS IS IMPORTANT TO US...REALLY!** presentation by Thomas Oettinger, assistant director of UNH Manchester admissions office, on Wed., Nov. 14, noon to 1 p.m. in the third-floor auditorium at UNH Manchester (400 Commercial St., Manchester, 641-4167). Free. Visit [manchester.unh.edu/events](http://manchester.unh.edu/events).
  - **MY GRANDFATHER’S LATHE** Basic Woodworking with Stephen Carey at the Kelley Library (234 Main St., Salem, 898-7064) on Thurs., Nov 15, at 7 p.m. Free.
  - **THE DUBIOUS AND AWESOME HISTORY OF THE NOVEL** presentation by Meaghan B. Cronin at the Bedford Public Library (3 Meetinghouse Road, Bedford, 472-2300) on Sun., Nov. 18, at 5 p.m. Wine and hors d’oeuvres.
  - **MY GRANDFATHER’S LATHE** presentation on Tues., Nov. 27, at 7 p.m., at the Concord Public Library (45 Green St., Concord, 230-3682). Stephen Carey discusses approaches to woodworking.
  - **AN EVENING WITH MARK TWAIN** Kurt Sutton transforms himself into the legendary Mark Twain on Wed., Nov. 28, at 7:30, at the Concord Audi (2 Prince St., Concord). Free. Visit [walkerlecture.org](http://walkerlecture.org) or [kurtsutton.home](http://kurtsutton.home).
  - **STEPHEN KING** speaks at the Tsongas Center at UMass Lowell (300 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Lowell, Mass.) on Fri., Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m. General admission tickets are available for \$30 at [tsongascenter.com](http://tsongascenter.com) or 866-722-8780.
- Book discussions**
- **ANIME & MANGA CLUB** is forming at Rodgers Memorial Library in Hudson and seeks members to join. Meetings will involve book discussions, anime viewing and workshops. Visit [www.rodgerslibrary.org](http://www.rodgerslibrary.org) or call

- 886-6030.
- **BOOKS IN THE MILL: A YEAR OF BOOKER READS** is a book discussion series that meets Thursdays in the UNH Manchester library mezzanine, 6:30-8 p.m. Visit [manchester.unh.edu/events](http://manchester.unh.edu/events). The discussion will be on *The God of Small Things* by Arundhati Roy on Thurs., Nov. 29, 6:30-8 p.m. Free. Call 641-4173.
  - **CONCORD PUBLIC LIBRARY** hosts a discussion of *Cocktail Hour Under the Tree of Forgetfulness* by Alexandra Fuller on Mon., Dec. 3.
  - **GIBSON’S BOOKSTORE** hosts monthly book discussions. Everyone is welcome to come for all or any of the dates. All discussion titles are 25% off until the date of their discussion. All meetings at 7 p.m. on the first Monday of the month unless otherwise noted.
  - **KELLEY LIBRARY** nonfiction book group meets on Wed., Nov. 14, at 7 p.m., with discussion on *Shadow Divers: the True Adventure of Two Americans Who Discovered Hitler’s Lost Sub* by Robert Kurson; Kelley Library Book Group meets on Wed., Nov. 28, at 7 p.m. to discuss *Red Garden* by Alice Hoffman. Visit [kelleylibrary.org](http://kelleylibrary.org).
  - **KELLEY LIBRARY** in Salem is hosting a four-month Civil War book discussion group. Discussion on Thurs., Dec. 13, at noon, about *March* by Geraldine Brooks.
  - **LACONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY** (695 Main St., Laconia, 524-4775, ext. 15) hosts a “Novel Time at the Library” book discussion series. Tues., Dec. 4, at 7 p.m. is *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*, led by Frumie Selchan.
  - **MANCHESTER CITY LIBRARY** evening book discussion group meets on the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Hunt Room. Thurs., Nov. 8, discussing *A Reliable Wife*, by Robert Goolrick.
  - **MANCHESTER CITY LIBRARY** Brown Bag Book Club meets on the last Tuesday of the month from 12:15 to 1:30 p.m. in the Hunt Room. Bring a bag lunch. Tues., Nov. 27, discussing *Caleb’s Crossing*, by Geraldine Brooks. Tues., Dec. 18, discussing *Left for Dead: a Young Man’s Search for Justice for the USS Indianapolis* by Peter Nelson. Tues., Jan. 29, discussing *The Ginger Tree* by Oswald Wynd. Tues., Feb. 26, discussing *The Elegance of the Hedgehog*, by Muriel Barbery.
  - **NASHUA NOVEL READERS** group meets monthly on a Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Music/Art/Media wing of the Nashua Public Library. Welcomes new members. Discuss *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* by Mary Anne Shaffer and Annie Barrows in November. Call 589-4610 or email [carol.eyman@](mailto:carol.eyman@)



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Sci-fi award-winner (six Hugo awards and three Nebula awards) Lois McMaster Bujold will sign her latest book, Captain Vorpatriil's Alliance, on Saturday, Nov. 10, at 11 a.m. at Toadstool Bookshop (614 Nashua St., Milford, 673-1734).

- nashualibrary.org.
- **BOOK DISCUSSION FOR TEENS** at the Nashua Public Library, 2 Court St., Nashua, 589-4610, on the last Tuesday of the month this fall. Nov. 27 is "Historical Fiction."
  - **SALEM SCIENCE FICTION BOOK GROUP** meets at Kelley Library in Salem. New members are welcome, and copies of the book can be borrowed at the library. Wed., Dec. 5, at 7:30 p.m. the group will discuss *The Princess of Mars*, by Edgar Rice Burroughs.
  - **SCIENCE FICTION & FANTASY** discussion group meets at 7 p.m. second and fourth Wednesday of each month at Toadstool Bookshop in Milford. Welcomes older teens and adults to share the books they've recently read.
  - **WARNER AREA BOOK CLUB** meets on certain Sundays at MainStreet BookEnds in Warner. All are welcome; call Jen at 456-3021 or email Jennkane@tds.net to sign up. Book discussion on *World Made By Hand* by James Howard Kunstler on Sun., Nov. 18, at 3 p.m., at MainStreet BookEnds of Warner, 16 E. Main St., Warner, 456-2700, mainstreetbookends.com.
  - **WILTON PUBLIC AND GREGG FREE LIBRARY** (7 Forest Road, Wilton, 654-2581) features adult book discussion on Thurs., Nov. 15, 7-8:30 p.m. on *The Sense of an Ending* by Julian Barnes. Led by Mary Ann Moran; copies available at library.

**Poetry**

- **CO-FOUNDER OF HBO'S DEF POETRY JAM** Bruce George will visit Manchester on Wed., Nov. 14, at UNH Manchester auditorium, 400 Commercial St., Manchester, 3rd floor. Lecture "Politics of Artistic Expression" 3:30-5 p.m.; poetry writing workshop 5-6:45 p.m.; and poetry slam 7-9 p.m. Free. Visit nhinkblot.org or call 641-4395. (Free parking in Arms Lot after 5:30 p.m.)
- **SHARON ARTS CENTER**

**GOOD NEIGHBOR POETRY READING** featuring William Doeski on Sat., Nov. 17, 7-9 p.m., at Sharon Arts Center Gallery, 30 Grove St., Peterborough. Donation of \$6 suggested. Call 924-7676 or visit sharonarts.org.

- **POETRY SOCIETY OF NH** meets on the third Wed. of each month at 7 p.m. at Gibson's Bookstore for a poetry reading followed by an open mike hosted by Don Kimball. All are welcome; come to listen or to read.
- **HYLA BROOK READING SERIES** is held at the Beantowne Coffee House & Café at 201 Route 111 in Hampstead (beantownecoffee.com) in winter, and at Robert Frost Farm at 122 Rockingham Road in Derry in the spring and summer (<http://robertfrostfarm.org>). Free and open to the public. An open mike follows the readings. For info, email Robert Crawford at bobik9@aol.com.
- **HYLA BROOK POETS WORKSHOPS** meet on the third Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Coffee Factory in Derry. For info, contact Robert Crawford at bobik9@aol.com.
- **SLAM FREE OR DIE** at Milly's Tavern, 500 Commercial St., Manchester, 858-3286, includes a poetry open-mike session. Doors open and signups start at 7 p.m., open mike begins around 8 p.m., with featured poets and slams following the open mike. \$3 cover charge. Email SlamFreeorDie@gmail.com or call 858-3286.
- **POETS JAM FACTORY** Jam your poetry to live music every Wed. 7:30-10 p.m. at Raxx Billiards, 1211 Elm St., Manchester, ages 18+.

**Writers' groups**

- **WRITING YOUR MILITARY SERVICE STORY** at Pelham Public Library, 24 Village Green, Pelham, on Thurs., Nov. 8, at 6:30 p.m. Hosted by Pelham resident and veteran Tim Kennedy. Call 635-7581 or visit pelhampubliclibrary.org.
- **NATIONAL NOVEL WRITING MONTH** events at Meredith

Public Library (91 Main St., Meredith), Saturdays, Nov. 10 and Nov. 17. The library's Community Room will be open to writers 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Call 279-4303.

- **CLASSICS CROWD** meets every other month on the third Thursday at Milford Toadstool. Discuss books voted on by consensus. Talk about *The Comedians* on Thurs., Nov. 15, 7-8:30 p.m. Visit toadstool.indiebound.com.
- **NHWP BOOK CLUB FOR WRITERS** is a chance for writers to get together four times a year for informal discussions of classic and contemporary literature from a writer's perspective, at various locations around the state. See nhwritersproject.org for meetings in the Upper Valley, Portsmouth and other sites.
- **THE BLANK PAGE** writers' group for all levels meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 in the third-floor conference room at Goffstown Public Library. All are welcome. Call 497-2102 for details.
- **CHRISTIAN WRITERS GUILD** has a Merrimack Valley Word Weavers club that meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 6:30 to 9 p.m. above Bonhoeffer's Café & Espresso at 8 Franklin St., Nashua. First-timers are encouraged to attend an orientation class at 6 p.m. For info, contact Clarice James at 578-1860 or wordweaversnashuanh@comcast.net. See [www.christianwritersguild.com/word-weavers](http://www.christianwritersguild.com/word-weavers).
- **CONCORD WRITERS' GROUP** meets first and third Saturdays at 10 a.m. in the Shakespeare Room of the Concord Public Library. Open to writers of all levels and genres. For more info, contact Chris at c.swede@juno.com.
- **WRITERS' NIGHT OUT** is hosted by NH Writers Project on the first Monday of each month. Seacoast: Common Man, 96 State St., Portsmouth. Central region: The Barley House, 132 N. Main St., Concord. Upper Valley: Salt Hill Pub, 2 S. Park St., Lebanon. No need to RSVP; just stop by to connect with other writers.
- **WRITERS UNITED** meets each Friday evening at the Milford Toadstool. Area authors of all genres are invited to share, critique and explore the craft of writing. Space is limited; for details call Tammy at the bookshop or email tammyattoadstool@aol.com.

**Other**

- **ANTHOCON** 2nd Annual National Literary and Art Conference Fri., Nov. 9, through Sun., Nov. 11, at NH Holiday Inn Hotel, 300 Woodbury Ave., Portsmouth, 431-8000. Meet and listen to authors Rick Hautala, Holly Newstead, Gary A. Braunbeck, Lucy Snider and Malcolm McClinton and more. Admission \$65. Visit anthocon.com.

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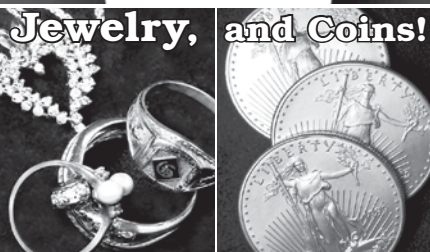
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## POP CULTURE

# Incredible views

## Ski jumpers soar in Warren Miller film

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Every year it's a challenge to best last year's film, to find higher mountains and to catch bigger jumps.

The 15th Annual Warren Miller Ski Film Event joins breathtaking scenery, incredible ski jumps and a good cause: Kristen's Gift, which supports the Pediatric Oncology Fund at Children's Hospital at Dartmouth-Hitchcock.

"They're skiing and jumping off all kinds of crazy stuff, incredible mountains, the Alps, you name it," said Toby Trudel, who handles community relations for CHaD. Trudel said last year's film featured a mountain in New Hampshire, but typically, the film highlights much bigger mountains worldwide.

The ski film event, which is the largest fundraiser for Kristen's Gift and is sponsored by Ken Jones Ski Mart in Manchester, will take place on Sunday, Nov. 11, at 2 p.m. at the Palace Theatre, 80 Hanover St. in Manchester. Warren Miller Entertainment's ski film *Flow State* is on tour across the country.

This will mark the 63rd Warren Miller Ski Film overall. The ski film started when Miller began traveling around the world to film skiers tackling some of the most challenging peaks on the globe. The film features celebrated skiers worldwide. Miller, who lives in Washington, no longer participates in the filmmaking process himself.

"It's quite a stimulating experience," Trudel said, adding the film incorporates a good bit of rock 'n' roll music. "Even if you're not a skier, you'll just love it. It's just so intense. It's a fun film."

The film will be screened in Blu-Ray high definition. It's a family-friendly film, appropriate even for young children. The event sells out most years, Trudel said.

"Anyone who has gone will tell you it was a blast," Trudel said. "And every penny goes to Kristen's Gift. Everything goes to help kids who are fighting cancer."

"It's just intensely beautiful scenery," Trudel said. "The jumps, they are doing some incredible things off mountain tops. ... They really push it."

Mother Nature messed things up last year, with the surprise Halloween snowstorm on Oct. 29. Organizers moved the film back a couple weeks this year, and are pleased they did, given Hurricane Sandy's timing, Trudel said.

Besides the movie itself, every patron gets a goodie bag worth about \$200 that includes lift tickets, as well as a chance to win a variety of door prizes that include hotel and restaurant gift certificates and ski



Aurelien Ducroz and Jackie Paaso in Svalbard, Norway. Photo by Alex Witkowicz.

equipment. The event also features a silent auction.

"It's more than just a movie," Trudel said.

Last year, Trudel said the event raised about \$45,000 and the event has raised more than \$250,000 since its inception.

"The really good thing is that all the money goes to help kids fighting cancer right here in New Hampshire," Trudel said. "And there are quite a few."

Manchester resident Kristen Xiggoros died at age 15 of a rare form of cancer. Two years later, Kristen's parents decided to do something in their daughter's name, which was the beginning of Kristen's Gift. Trudel said Kristen would have been 30 last year. The fund evolved to help youngsters fighting cancer in a number of ways, including providing patients with toys and games, as well as funding for cancer research.

Staff at CHaD try to address the reality that cancer doesn't just impact the child but the entire family. Children are seen by a core team of three oncologists, six nurses, a dietitian, a dedicated child life specialist and a social worker. That team is supported by a range of pediatric specialists from CHaD and Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in a number of areas, including radiology, pathology and neurosurgery, according to CHaD.

For the second year, event organizers will feature "Hall of Fame" awards at the event to recognize people and businesses who have helped Kristen's Gift. Three pediatric oncology patients will be taking part in the induction ceremony, as well as Miss New Hampshire. About 80 percent of the audience returns each year for the event, Trudel said.

### Warren Miller Ski Film Event

**When:** Sunday, Nov. 11, at 2 p.m.; doors open at 1 p.m.

**Where:** Palace Theatre, 80 Hanover St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org

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## Wreck-It Ralph (PG)

A classic arcade game villain goes on a hero's quest in *Wreck-It Ralph*, a surprisingly fun animated movie from Disney.

Wreck-It Ralph (voice of John C. Reilly) is the building-destroying bad guy of Fix-It Felix Jr., a vaguely Donkey Kong-ish game that still gets the occasional player in the arcade. Plucky Felix (Jack McBrayer) is treated like a hero, but even though Ralph is an integral part of the game, he is shunned by the game's other characters. When the arcade closes and the video game denizens are free to hang out, Ralph is shunned and spends his lonely evenings at his home — a tree stump in the dump. After Ralph's attempts to join in the fun lead to some inadvertent wrecking, one of the building-dwellers tells him that the only way he'd be welcome is if he won a medal the way Felix does for all his fixing.

Ralph, determined not to be left out, decides he will indeed win a medal. While hanging out at the tavern-like video game (most characters can travel between games via the power cord), Ralph



Wreck-It Ralph

meets a soldier from a first-person shooter who tells him that his game — Hero's Duty — has a medal. Ralph decides to work his way in to the game and search for the medal.

When these cross-game adventures lead to trouble, Calhoun (Jane Lynch), a tough-as-nails soldier from Hero's Duty, leaves the game to find Ralph (and a mindless, game-destroying bug that may have traveled with him). Meanwhile, Fix-It Felix Jr. is suddenly without a villain and if Ralph doesn't come back, it is at risk for being unplugged (which

would leave its characters homeless or lost in a void). Felix decides to set off to find Ralph and bring him home. Though Ralph is headed back to his own game, he gets sidetracked and winds up in Sugar Rush, a game that sets a NASCAR like race in a Candy Land-like universe. Here, he meets Vanellope (Sarah Silverman), a little girl with dreams of winning the Candy Land race.

It's the little details that really elevate a movie like this. Animation as a medium is excellent for creating an entirely new universe, and when it's done right, it has texture and richness. *Wreck-It Ralph*

is full of great details and clever moments. There's the BadAnon meeting you've likely seen in the trailers (video game villains affirm that just because you're a Bad Guy doesn't mean you are a bad guy). There are the cameos of video game characters — a homeless Q\*bert hangs out in the intersection of all the video game portals; Sonic appears in a PSA about dying outside your own game; one of the Pac-Man ghosts plays group leader of BadAnon. There are the fun little moments of commentary about arcade games — the differ-

ence between 8-bit classics and the current hyper-real games; the way a villain controls his world by controlling the code. *Wreck-It Ralph* does that thing that Pixar so often does in a movie (and while this is a Disney film, it isn't from Pixar), which is to fully imagine its world and then set jokes and stories within the rules of this world while still cracking the occasional joke that references our world. You don't have to know anything about video games to get the jokes in this movie but if you do know something about video games, the little details are that much richer.

In this exceptionally well-crafted setting are placed some truly winning characters. Reilly helps make Ralph a likeable, relatable guy while still capturing his wreck-it side. Silverman is excellent as Vanellope — I don't know that a character has ever suited her voice and delivery more. A plucky, quirky little girl with candy sprinkled on her head and a homemade racecar, Vanellope is a loveable oddball — she's called a "glitch" because of the way her image pixilates, particularly when she gets anxious or angry or excited. Their friendship is sweet and gives the

## REVIEWLETS

\* indicates a movie worth seeing. For reviews of graded films, go to [hippopress.com](http://hippopress.com).

### Alex Cross (PG-13)

Tyler Perry, Matthew Fox. Based on the character in books by James Patterson, *Alex Cross* features Tyler Perry, taking off the Madea suit to play a homicide detective. **C-**

### \*Argo (R)

Ben Affleck, John Goodman. Tense, fun, fast-paced and exceptionally well done, this spy caper is based on the true story of the Iranian takeover of the American embassy in Tehran. **A**

### Atlas Shrugged: Part II (PG)

Samantha Mathis, Esai Morales. Marginally more competent than the first entry, *Part II* in this adaptation is still an amateur-ish, ponderous movie about a romance-free affair and the fortunes of a railroad. **D+**

### Chasing Mavericks (PG-13)

Gerard Butler, Elisabeth Shue. The waves, man, it's all about the waves. Opened Friday, Oct. 26.

### Cloud Atlas (R)

Tom Hanks, Halle Berry. From the Wachowskis: connections between people continue throughout time, across many lives. Or, put another way, Tom Hanks and Halle Berry get to wear costumes from the past, the future and the '70s. **C**

### \*End of Watch (R)

Jake Gyllenhaal, Michael Pena. It's tough work policing the streets of Los Angeles. **A-**

### \*Frankenweenie (PG)

Winona Ryder, Martin Landau. Tim Burton remakes his *Frankenstein*-spoofing short into a feature-length, black and white movie. The movie is lovely to look at but also

features a sweet story about a boy and his (deceased) dog. **A-**

### Fun Size (PG-13)

Cheslea Handler, Johnny Knoxville. *Suburgatory*'s Jane Levy plays the sassy best friend in this one-crazy-high-school night comedy about a girl who has to watch (and loses) her little brother on Halloween. **C+**

### Here Comes the Boom (PG)

Kevin James, Salma Hayek. Here comes the movie you can see with your grandma, your 9-year-old, your teenage nephew and your father-in-law and be reasonably certain everybody has an OK, not great, time. **C+**

### Hotel Transylvania (PG)

Voices of Adam Sandler, Andy Samberg. A resort for the Draculas and Frankensteins of the world is visited unexpectedly by a regular human. Adam Sandler

leads a light but fun cast voicing goofy versions of classic movie monsters. **B-**

### Looper (R)

Bruce Willis, Joseph Gordon-Levitt. In the future, an assassin chases an older version of himself who time-traveled back from an even more future future. Also in the future: big guns called, delightfully, blunderbusses. **B**

### The Master (R)

Philip Seymour Hoffman, Joaquin Phoenix. This bloated story of a rudderless World War II veteran and the cult he encounters is full of big performances — and Acting! — but very little by way of compelling story. **C+**

### Paranormal Activity 4 (R)

Katie Featherston, Kathryn Newton. After two prequel-sequels, the *Paranormal Activity* series shows us the aftermath of

Katie's abduction of her sister's son. After a successful trilogy, the franchise is starting to fray. **C+**

### \*Pitch Perfect (PG-13)

Anna Kendrick, Rebel Wilson. An cappella nerds get their own version of the "dance movie" with this delightful tale of a college cappella team looking for redemption and a music geek looking for a reason to get engaged in college life. The riff-off alone is worth the price of admission. **A**

### Seven Psychopaths (R)

Sam Rockwell, Colin Farrell. This aggravating hyper-meta dudes-with-guns movie is far too cutesy: while criminals, big and small, chase each other over a dog, a screenwriter mulls over a script about very similar criminals. **C**

### Silent Hill: Revelation 3D (R)

Aledaide Clemens, Sean Bean.

The monsters of the spooky, ashy town return to torment a teenage girl in this sequel. Opened Friday, Oct. 26.

### Sinister (R)

Ethan Hawke, Vincent D'Onofrio. A box of creepy home movies leads to very scary things for a family that recently moved into a house with a spooky past. Opened Friday, Oct. 12.

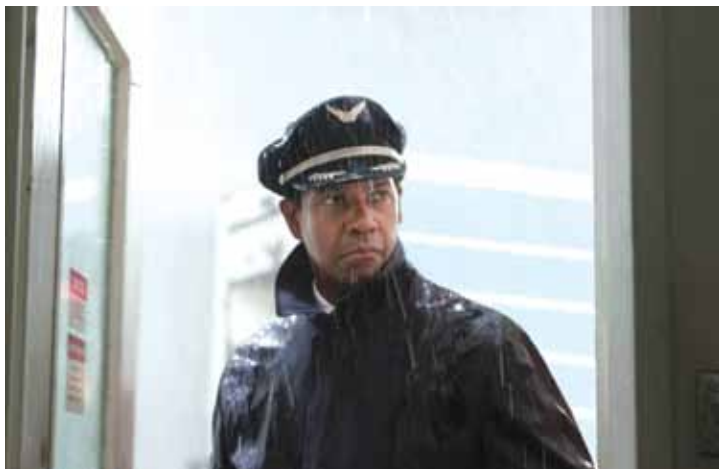
### Skyfall (PG-13)

Daniel Craig, Judi Dench. Bond returns! Opens Wednesday, Nov. 7, on IMAX screens and on Friday, Nov. 9, in wide release.

### Taken 2 (PG-13)

Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace. Liam Neeson has a particular set of skills but apparently none of them is making this movie get to the freaking killing already. This sequel to a really excellent low-fi action movie is stiff and disappointing. **C+**





Flight

film a warm heart at its core.

*Wreck-It Ralph* isn't perfect — it has a slow, draggy period that kicks off its final third — but it is a fresh, innovative story placed in a dazzling visual universe. **B+**

*Rated PG for some rude humor and mild action/violence. Directed by Rich Moore with a screenplay by Phil Johnson and Jennifer Lee, Wreck-It Ralph is an hour and 48 minutes long and is distributed by Walt Disney.*

## Flight (R)

**Denzel Washington plays a pilot who is both a hero and a destructive drunk in *Flight*, a solid addiction drama from director Robert Zemeckis.**

Whip Whitaker (Washington) wakes up after a long night and a short sleep having shared assorted drugs, booze and a bed with flight attendant Katerina Marquez (Nadine Velarquez). After arguing with his ex-wife on the phone about money, he heads in to the airport for his first flight, a short trip from Florida to Atlanta. Drunk, high and supremely confident, he boards the flight and prepares for takeoff, just altered enough that co-pilot Ken Evans (Brian Geraghty) looks nervous but not enough that Evans or the other flight attendants, including veteran Margaret Thomason (Tamara Tunie), try to stop him from flying. On takeoff, there are rough skies and Whip climbs high and flies fast to find a pocket of good weather. Then, midflight, something goes wrong with the controls. The plane starts a dive. Whip, just barely up from a nap, takes the controls, rolls the plane onto its back to slow its dive and then glides it down to crash land it in a field (rather than in the house-filled suburb where the dive

started).

When he wakes up, he's in a hospital with a longtime buddy, Charlie Anderson (Bruce Greenwood), hanging out in his room. Charlie is there from the pilot's union. Investigators also come by to talk to him, informing him that most of the crew and passengers made it (six fatalities), and that his landing is viewed as kind of a miracle. But we sense from the beginning that there is more going on. Eventually, it comes out that blood drawn from Whip when he first got to the hospital shows he was drunk and high on cocaine. Charlie and lawyer Hugh Lang (Don Cheadle) attempt to protect Whip from possible criminal charges and from any attempts by the airline to blame him for the crash (which he says was entirely instrument failure).

What they can't seem to do is protect Whip from himself. During this investigation, you can't do is drink, Hugh tells Whip at one point. No matter what the situation or what people advise him, Whip can never manage more than a few days of sobriety, which are always followed by a spectacular bender. Whip knows his drinking is a problem but he can't really admit it to anyone else or even, beyond a few scared-straight moments, to himself.

Meanwhile, a woman named Nicole (Kelly Reilly), a heroin addict, is making an earnest attempt at rehab. She meets Whip when they are both at the hospital and they form a strange, fragile friendship.

*Flight* is a good character study. Washington gives us a layered performance as a man who lets his demons over take his better qualities, particularly the coolness in a



The Man with the Iron Fists

crisis that allows him to land the plane. We can see why people — Nicole, Katerina, Charlie, Whip's drug dealer friend Harling (John Goodman) — like him even as we can also see all of his unlikeable qualities. He is self-destructive but also self-aware. Washington seems to enjoy giving us this portrait. He is always changing the focus on Whip's character, so just when we think we've gotten to the selfish core, we see some other sliver of loneliness or just when we think he's a hero, we see the caddish behavior.

And the supporting performances are strong as well. Cheadle, Goodman, Greenwood, Reilly — none of them are one note. It's glib to write them all off as Oscar-bait, but these are exactly the kind of meaty roles that get attention during award season.

What keeps all this "good" from turning into "great" is a slickness that can't help but make the story of messy people leading messy lives tidy. That is to say, the movie is a little Zemeckisy. The movie might present a man with flaws and layers and all that artsy stuff, but it still wants to give viewers a Hollywood ending. Denzel Washington gives a good performance but it never stops being major movie star Denzel Washington giving a very conventional kind of award-friendly performance.

*Flight* isn't a bad movie, but it doesn't ever give the actors or the story a chance to soar. **B-**

*Rated R for drug and alcohol abuse, language, sexuality/nudity, and an intense action sequence. Directed by Robert Zemeckis and written by John Gatins, Flight is two hours and 18 minutes long and distributed by Paramount Pictures.*

## The Man with the Iron Fists (R)

**The Wu-Tang Clan's RZA co-writes, directs and stars in *The Man with the Iron Fists*, an entertainingly campy martial arts movie.**

The Blacksmith (RZA), freed from a life of slavery in America, winds up in China where he forges weapons for the warring clans of Jungle Village — and a shipment of imperial gold seems to have brought out all those with fighting spirits. After the murder of their leader Gold Lion, the Lion clan's new leader, Silver Lion (Byron Mann) is intent on getting the gold and on killing X-Blade (Rick Yune), Gold Lion's son. Silver Lion seeks help in this endeavor from Brass Body (Dave Bautista), a man who, as advertised, can turn his body into un-harmable brass.

Jack Knife (Russell Crowe), an Englishman who also has some designs on the gold, arrives in town with his own nefarious plans — as well as a need for lots of company from the girls of Madam Blossom's (Lucy Liu) bordello. Wolf and Rat clans make an appearance, as do the Gemini warriors (a husband and wife duo played by Grace Huang and Andrew Lin) who are guarding the gold and have a reputation as a deadly fighting pair.

There was more to the plot — the blacksmith has a girlfriend, Lady Silk (Jamie Chung), for example — but the plot is so secondary to what this movie is about that I actually have a hard time remembering it. Because this movie's purpose is to give you an hour and a half of pure, un-muddled-by-story-or-characters butt-kicking. And not just literal kicking, though there is a lot of that. There is also: sword fights, a guy with iron fists

fighting the brass body guy, Jack Knife's spectacular gun-knife weapon, Lucy Liu's knife fan, the synchronized henchmen-felling of the Gemini couple. *The Man with the Iron Fists* is maybe 7 percent about story, 22 percent about nifty costumes but the remaining 70 percent is all about not letting up on the hand-to-hand combat until a scene is soaked in wonderfully fake-looking stage blood which — all the better — is sometimes spurting fountain-style from some severed body part.

*The Man with the Iron Fists* feels like a fan fiction version of a Quentin Tarantino movie (he's listed as a producer here) with a lot of his touches: an affectionate blend of Western and kung-fu movie motifs, a villain who is enjoying his villainy (here, Mann's Silver Lion), ridiculous violence and a measure of absurdity — which here comes about halfway through the movie when we see how the titular man acquires his iron fists. These things aren't as skillfully accomplished as in, say, Tarantino's *Kill Bill* movies but RZA is clearly having a good time — enough so that we in the audience feel we're sharing some of the fun. On my way out of the theater, I heard another movie-goer say it was one of the worst movies he'd ever seen. My immediate post-movie analysis was that I had just enjoyed a tasty junk-food action movie treat. *The Man with the Iron Fists* is the kind of movie where both of those statements can be true. **B-**

*Rated R for bloody violence, strong sexuality, language and brief drug use. Directed by RZA with a screenplay by RZA and Eli Roth, The Man With Iron Fists is an hour and 36 minutes long and is distributed by Universal Pictures.*



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## Nite Roundup

Local music & nightlife news

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• **Poetry, man:** In 2011, Chris August finished first at the Individual World Poetry Slam in Cleveland; the top-ranked poet went on to represent the United States at the Poetry World Cup in Paris, winning second prize. The Baltimore-based August is the featured performer at this week's open-mike gathering. Attend Slam Free or Die on Thursday, Nov. 8, at 8 p.m. at Milly's Tavern, 500 Commercial St., Manchester. Tickets \$3 at the door. See [www.facebook.com/slamfreeordie](http://www.facebook.com/slamfreeordie).

• **Singing and playing:** Corey Brackett began with rhythm, taking up drums at age 7, before switching to guitar and writing songs. His originals are soul-inflected and bouncy, a la John Mayer or Matt Nathanson, but Brackett also draws from R&B and classic rock for his spirited solo performances. It's an easy-going, tasty blend. See Corey Brackett on Saturday, Nov. 10, at 9 p.m. at Alan's Restaurant, 133 N. Main St. in Boscawen. Go to [www.coreybrackett.com](http://www.coreybrackett.com).

• **Rock on:** Two West Coast rock bands anchor an all-day festival in downtown Manchester, as radio and television personality Scorch reprises his PFG-TV Festival launched last year. Hurt formed in Virginia in early 2000, soon moving to Los Angeles to make a mark, while co-headliner Smile Empty Soul began in a SoCal high school. Scorch hosts, along with Bam Margera of MTV *Jackass*. Attend Scorch PFGTV Fest 2 on Sunday, Nov. 11, at the Radisson Hotel, 700 Elm St., Manchester. Tickets are \$20 at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com).

• **Acoustic fusion:** With haunting, gorgeous harmonies built around deceptively simple melodies, Darlingside sits at the intersection of rock, folk and classical music — cello, violin and mandolin figure prominently in the band's sound. All five members sing, and the video for "The Ancestor," a track from their debut album, is a Miyazaki-styled animation that's a treat to watch. See Darlingside on Monday, Nov. 12, at 8 p.m. at the Red Door, 107 State St., Portsmouth, [reddoorportsmouth.com](http://reddoorportsmouth.com).

• **Giving back:** A bevy of local talent gathers to raise money for a friend in need. Performers include Charlie Farren, Bob Dylan tribute band Napoleon in Rags and Eastwood Peak, with sets from bluesy Kim Riley, Tom Davis, John Bruney and the Murphy Brothers. It's all to help with Robbyn (Lozeau) Culpon's medical expenses in her battle against cancer. Attend Playing It Forward on Friday, Nov. 9, at 6:30 p.m. at Alpine Grove in Hollis. Tickets are \$25; for more, call Pam at 801-8025.

## NITE

# Hard rock from an uncommon origin

Revocation comes to Manchester

By Michael Witthaus  
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Berklee College of Music isn't known as a magnet for heavy metal guitarists. But for Revocation front man David Davidson, a committed shredder raised on old-school Metallica and local metalcore stalwarts Killswitch Engage, it provided a perfect follow-up to the four years he spent at a Boston arts high school.

"Berklee heavily influenced me while I was there," said Davidson from a recent tour stop in Seattle. "I tried to study with different teachers every semester, and it really broadened my horizons. ... I did one of those 'choose your own adventure' majors."

Immersion in technique, theory, arrangement and music history with jazz/fusion masters gave Davidson important insights. "I learned a lot from them," he told e-zine Lords of Metal in 2009. "I try not to write typical metal riffs or solos, and some of the atonal aspects of jazz gave me a different perspective on composing and soloing."

Davidson continues this eclecticism with Revocation. "We draw our inspiration from just a ton of metal bands that do everything under the sun," he says. "If we can thrive on it, we can be inspired by it — classics like Megadeth and Dimebag, or the technical side of things with bands like Martyr. We play around with the sound and push ourselves to come up with more unique riffs and sound structures."

The group includes drummer and founding member Phil Dubois-Coyne, guitarist Dan Gargiulo and Brett Ramberger, who joined on bass earlier this year. 2011's *Chaos of Forms* featured a number of progressive elements, the kind of technical death metal a Rush fan might love. But the recently released EP *Teratogenesis* finds the band at its brutal best.

"We try to do something a little bit different each time, and the new record is pretty aggressive," agrees Davidson.

*Teratogenesis* is available as a free down-



David Davidson of Revocation. Courtesy photo.

load, and was commissioned by automaker Scion. The company has backed Revocation on tour and included them on sampler discs. "When they said they wanted to do an actual release of our material, we were all about it," says Davidson, adding, "it's free for our fans, which is awesome and it's a high-quality recording ... so we're pretty excited to be working with them."

The band's roots go back to 2000, when Davidson, Dubois-Coyne and Anthony Buda formed Cryptic Warning as high school students. In 2006, they decided on a name change. "It was a reboot, we started fresh," recalls Davidson. "Until then we'd never really toured, and the writing we were doing was so far ahead of Cryptic Warning. It re-lit the fire under our ass, so we could go a long way."

Six years and four albums later, the band is on the road seven months out of the year, but the transition from hopefuls to headliners took a lot of work. "We came up with the punk rock scene, doing DIY shows in a couple of cool Boston metal bars, but also a lot of basements," says Davidson.

The Manchester show is the final appear-

### Revocation with A Life Once Lost & six more bands

**When:** Saturday, Nov. 17, at 7 p.m.

**Where:** Country Inn & Suites, 250 S. River Road, Bedford

**Tickets:** \$12, more information at [www.facebook.com/PaperstarshipEntertainment](http://www.facebook.com/PaperstarshipEntertainment)

ance on a tour that began in Canada in mid-October; they were in Europe for a month prior to that. Revocation doesn't spend much time in New Hampshire, but Davidson recalls a Dover Brickhouse gig a couple of years ago: "It was really good show and we're looking forward to coming back."

Paperstarship Entertainment, a new company based in Manchester, is promoting the show. After difficulties securing a venue, the company announced Nov. 5 that the event is happening at Country Inn & Suites in Bedford.

According to Paperstarship talent buyer Jordan Huffman, the effort began when the promoter at Rocko's Bar & Grill decided to close shop, leaving a void in the local music scene. "We want to keep bringing good rock and metal to Manchester," says Huffman. 🍷

### Nightlife Listings

#### Music, comedy & parties

• **BOB MARLEY** will perform Sat., Nov. 10, at the Capitol Center for the Arts, 44 S. Main St., Manchester, 225-1111.

• **XFACTOR** will perform at the Radisson Hotel Expo Center (700 Elm St., Manchester), Sun., Nov. 11, at 8 p.m.

• **ACOUSTIC CAFE** at Wadleigh Memorial Library (49 Nashua St., Milford), Sat., Nov. 17, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Mike Agranoff will visit the library with a variety of instruments

to play traditional arrangements, covers and original songs. Admission is free. Call 673-2408.

• **SINGLES DANCE** at the Castleton Banquet and Conference Center (92 Indian Rock Road, Windham), Sat., Nov. 17, 8 p.m.-1 a.m. Hosted by Together of NH, the event will feature a DJ, hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar and door prizes. Admission is \$12 before 9 p.m., and \$15 after.

#### Bowling

• **BOUTWELL'S BOWLING CENTER** 152 N. State St., Concord, 224-0941

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• **SPARE TIME** 216 Maple St., Manchester, 625-9656, [stadiumtenpin.net](http://stadiumtenpin.net)

#### Chess

• **CHESS CLUB** open to players of all levels, 7 to 9 p.m. Fridays at Nashua Public Library, 2 Court St., Nashua. Call 589-4600.

#### Entertainment

• **SUNDAY NIGHT BALLROOM** dance parties are held weekly at Queen City Ballroom Dance Studio, 21 Dow St., Manchester, from 6 to 9 p.m. Tickets cost \$9; admission is free for first-timers. Singles ▶ 76



# Vision thing

The Romano Project finds its focus

By Michael Witthaus  
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From its first moments on stage together, The Romano Project became intertwined with the regional jam band scene. In mid-2010, they debuted at Harry's Hill Hoedown, a countercultural party held every summer in Sparks, Maine. The bill included Rustic Overtones, Max Creek and other groove stalwarts. Since then, the Lawrence, Mass., quintet has appeared at Strange Creek Campout, Wormtown and PMT Fest, among other festivals.

But don't call the group, named after front man, guitarist and chief songwriter Eddie Romano, a jam band. "Ed hates it when we jam," says guitarist Chris Taillon, as the group took a break from practice for a phone interview.

Romano, Taillon, drummer John Elliott and turntablist Tim "Iccullus" Dunning specialize in tightly constructed, funk-infused songs. "We play at these festivals and I feel like every other band that gets on stage is just out in left field, while we get up and it's A, B, C, D," says Romano. "But at the same time, we sneak in these elements that allow us to fit in with the jam scene."

Prominent in the group's musical spice is Dunning's DJ work, a mix of old-school scratch mixing and inventive sampling.

"A turntable can be any instrument," he says. "You can capture any sound you want."

Taillon's strumming moves the groove along. "I'm in love with funk and rhythm and the way that you can use rhythm over any core progression, anything musical, to spice it up and add another layer," he says. "Subtle addition — a jazz or soul element — it can add a lot in the end."

It's bound together by the front man's rugged vocals — Romano sings with a mix of Dave Matthews' low growl and peppery talking blues. He also writes smart lyrics about loving and losing, and the occasional world-weary declaration — "Lottery" and "Round & Round" are good examples of the latter.

The Romano Project came together with the demise of The Change Up, a band Romano and Elliott were in together. The current unit brings a focus lacking in the previous group, which featured two front men. "It was two different styles in one band," says Romano. "Now it's more in one direction."

British stalwarts Happy Mondays and classic Beatles are the group's musical guiding lights, no surprise given their



The Romano Project. Courtesy photo.

well-crafted songs and simple rhythmic approach to music. Taillon jokes that he really doesn't know how to play lead guitar. "The moment he tries, everything falls apart," says Dunning with a chuckle.

The band's upcoming show at Plaistow's Two Sisters is their first at the club, which opened earlier this year. Dunning and Taillon did a DJ set there a few weeks back, and already like the venue. "I walked into the place and there wasn't more than six people — it was early, we were setting up — but the vibe of that bar was something to be reckoned with."

Bar crowds aren't always clamoring for original music, but the band knows how to win over an audience whatever the venue. Sometimes the crowds are huge — one Halloween night in Salem they played to 2,000 costumed revelers. Without a doubt, the group loves the festival season. "Any Wormtown or Strange Creek show is our favorite," says Romano. "The whole vibe over the weekend is the best."

They're currently working on a full-length album and auditioning a bass player to replace founding member Steve Gofstein, while playing as many gigs as possible.

"Our manager always is sticking us in places even if we don't necessarily belong," says Taillon. "It's a slow process ... we don't pick up 20 fans a night. But even if we don't bring all the people, we entertain their crowd, which makes it easier to get a return call. Every show there's people we've never seen before dancing in front of the stage." 🍷

### The Romano Project

**When:** Friday, Nov. 16, at 9 p.m.  
**Where:** 2 Sisters Sports Bar & Lounge, 20 Plaistow Road, Plaistow  
Also appearing — Jordan Kaulback, with DJ sets from Tim "Icculus" Dunning and Chris "Ta-illon" Taillon  
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# Music raises spirits, funds

## Hollis benefit concert draws support

By Cory Francer  
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When a family is faced with a cancer diagnosis, two priorities tend to emerge. The most immediate need is assistance in funding medical expenses, and the other is to lift the spirits of the family member who has been afflicted. For Robbyn (Lozeau) Culpon of Nashua, her sister has found a way to do both.

Culpon was diagnosed with cancer in her bladder and lymph nodes and immediately the bills started to pile up. Her sister Pam Fariole and friend Pam Holt realized Culpon was in need of a boost and began contacting some local musicians they knew to see if they would be interested in playing a benefit concert to provide Culpon with some financial assistance.

Fariole said she was expecting to maybe help her sister take care of one bill, but the more musicians she asked to take part in the event, the more “yes” answers she received.

“It’s awesome for people to reach out and help when they don’t even know my sister,” Fariole said. “It shows that people out there have beautiful hearts.”

The lineup includes Charlie Farren, who has played in Farrenheit and with the Joe Perry

Project, featuring Joe Perry of Aerosmith fame. It also includes Napoleon in Rags, a local band that takes on styles reminiscent of Bob Dylan and Johnny Cash, and Eastwood Peak, a southern New Hampshire-based band specializing in classic rock covers.

Bobby Livingston, who takes on vocals, harmonica and rhythm guitar duties for Napoleon in Rags, described southern New Hampshire’s music community as a family. He said he knew Fariole and Holt as supporters of his band and when Fariole approached the band to join the benefit show lineup, he didn’t have to think twice.

As someone who has also been personally affected by cancer within his own family, Livingston said he understands the importance of a helping hand and how a night of fun can be a relief in a difficult time.

“I lost both my parents to cancer decades ago,” he said. “I understand too well what Pam and her sister are facing and going through. There is a hopelessness that a diagnosis can bring, but she wanted to celebrate and we’ll celebrate. We’ll stand with them.”

Kim Riley, also a guitarist and vocalist for Napoleon in Rags, will be performing with the band and will do a separate set as part of a duo with a bassist. She said

the band and its fans have become an extended family through its performances at J’s Tavern in Milford and when Fariole asked her to be part of the concert, Riley jumped at the opportunity.

“My father is now a cancer survivor for several years,” she said. “The financial burden can be huge with insurance and medical bills and I can completely relate on that level. We want to do anything we can do to provide help for the family.”

Fariole said her immediate family members are all passionate music fans and wanted to include genres that everyone will be able to enjoy. The music is expected to last from 6:30 to 11 p.m., but she said if enough people come, the bands could stretch the show to midnight.

Despite the diagnosis, Fariole said Culpon is still the incredibly giving person she always has been and one that wouldn’t typically take the spotlight. And though the event planned is beyond anything Culpon expected, she said the outpouring of support has been welcome.

“I didn’t expect my sister to go so big,” Culpon said. “I appreciate the time and effort.”

In addition to the live music, Fariole said local businesses will be in attendance and many have



Napoleon in Rags will be part of the lineup for the “Playing it Forward” benefit show Friday, Nov. 9, at the Alpine Grove in Hollis. Courtesy photo.

provided donations to the cause. Throughout the night there will be prizes raffled off with proceeds to benefit Culpon.

Because nearly everyone has had their lives affected by cancer in some form or another, Fariole said the ability to relate to the situation has encouraged people to provide assistance.

“So many people have come forward with something,” she said. “Because they have been afflicted somehow, they are willing to give back and help.”

Livingston said in addition

to the money that can be raised through the concert, one of the most important aspects of the evening is demonstrating a sense of togetherness. No matter how difficult things may seem, he said he wants Culpon and Fariole to know they have a huge network of support.

“We want Pam and her sister to know we’re there with her,” he said. “They’re not facing this alone. Whatever we raise, that’s great, but it’s more to show that we are with them.”

### Playing it Forward

**When:** Friday, Nov. 9, from 6:30 to 11 p.m.

**Where:** Alpine Grove Banquet Facility (19 S. Depot Road, Hollis)

**Tickets:** \$25. Call Pam Fariole at 801-8025 or Pam Holt at 759-1885 or visit the event’s Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/events/467752019924477](http://www.facebook.com/events/467752019924477) for instructions on how to buy tickets or donate through PayPal.

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• **SINGLES DANCE** at the Best Western Executive Court Inn Banquet Facility (1199 Mammoth Road, Manchester), Fri., Nov. 9, 8 p.m.-midnight. Come early for a free dance lesson at 7:30 p.m. There will be a buffet, DJ, dance performance, raffles, prizes and a cash bar. Admission is \$12 prior to 9 p.m., and \$15 after.

• **SINGLES DANCE** held every Friday at 8 p.m. with DJ JoAnn at Daniels Hall, Route 4, Nottingham. Admission is \$12 and includes free light buffet and drinks, casual dress. Call 942-8525 or see [www.singlesdanceparties.com](http://www.singlesdanceparties.com).

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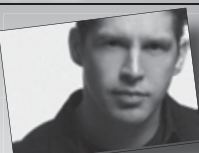
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- 1. 'Ratfinks, Suicide \_\_\_ & Cannibal Girls' White Zombie
- 6. Type of metal, usually w/low-tuned guitars
- 10. Graham of The Hollies
- 14. Linkin Park "\_\_\_ step closer to the edge" (2,3)
- 15. Kate And \_\_\_ McGarrigle
- 16. 'Only A Fool' jazz singer James
- 17. Line in song
- 18. Def Leppard producer Robert \_\_\_ Lange
- 19. Sublime '\_\_\_ I Got'

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- 20. Member of Twisted Sister, for one
- 23. 2nd of two guitarists mentioned
- 26. Blind Melon '\_\_\_ Of Home'
- 27. Roger Waters 'The Pros And Cons \_\_\_' (2,11)
- 32. Neil Young's wacky '82 album
- 33. Like crowd, before big show
- 34. Billy Joel might have one in the 'Attic'
- 35. 'Bright Idea' #1ers
- 36. Billy Joel '\_\_\_ Is The Time'
- 40. 'Wishing Well' Terence \_\_\_ D'Arby
- 41. Trey Anastasio band
- 42. '80 Rush classic 'The \_\_\_' (6,2,5)
- 45. Former Santana guitarist Neil
- 47. Warrant 'Greatest & \_\_\_'
- 48. Mike Scott 'The Whole Of The Moon' band (3,9)
- 53. What you tell your folks, to make it to show (1,3)
- 54. Eagles 'Hell Freezes \_\_\_'
- 55. Blink-182 '\_\_\_ Of The State'
- 59. What REO Speedwagon will do 'With The Changes'
- 60. 'Diamond Life' singer
- 61. 80s 'I Want To Be Your Man' Troutman
- 62. Got a 'Kiss From A Rose'
- 63. Kings Of Leon 'Velvet \_\_\_'
- 64. What unoriginal musician did

Down

- 1. Keith Urban '\_\_\_ The Summer Comes Around'
- 2. Christian singer Grant

- 3. Billy Bragg 'Rule \_\_\_ Reason'
- 4. What wardrobe might be found doing
- 5. Babyface 'Never Keeping \_\_\_'
- 6. Katy Perry's song about an angry outburst?
- 7. David Soul 'Don't Give Up \_\_\_' (2,2)
- 8. A-ha 'The Sun Always Shines \_\_\_' (2,2)
- 9. Fellow member, slang
- 10. Las Vegas' Wayne
- 11. Stevie Wonder 'Don't You Worry 'Bout \_\_\_' (1,5)
- 12. Grammy winning soundtrack 'Garden \_\_\_'
- 13. "She f@#n \_\_\_ me" Puddle Of Mudd
- 21. Curvey Pearl Jam song?
- 22. Johnny Nash '\_\_\_ It Up'
- 23. Loads of CDs
- 24. Hairdoo of LMFAO's Redfoo
- 25. U2 'Even Better \_\_\_ The Real Thing'
- 28. Whitesnake '\_\_\_ Go Again' (4,1)
- 29. Eric Hutchinson 'It \_\_\_ Been Long Enough'
- 30. Billy Joel '\_\_\_ Extremes' (1,2,2)
- 31. Block of Sister Hazel
- 35. Cars 'Let's Go' singer Benjamin
- 36. Billy Joel '\_\_\_ Her Style' (5,3)
- 37. Kiss '\_\_\_ Your Heart'
- 38. Bob Dylan 'Desire' song about Egyptian goddess?
- 39. Billy Joel 'Big \_\_\_'
- 40. Tom Tom Club's Weymouth
- 41. Duran Duran might 'Save' them
- 42. Morphine song about a girl in

- Australia?
- 43. Drummed w/Emerson & Lake
- 44. 'Low' \_\_\_ Rida
- 45. Successful rockers
- 46. Mother Love Bone's 'Dancer'
- 49. What you do to bad album
- 50. 'Stop My Head' Dando
- 51. Completely make over in the studio
- 52. Miles Davis 'Bitches \_\_\_'
- 56. It may be bruised, post-flop
- 57. Old schooler Tillis
- 58. "I love you just the way you \_\_\_"

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<b>Goffstown</b> <b>Village Trestle:</b> Tom Dixon Band	<b>Milford</b> <b>J’s Tavern:</b> Chris Lester <b>Pasta Loft:</b> Ryan Bossie		<b>Hampstead</b> <b>Pasta Loft:</b> Bill Bonnell <b>Route 111 Village Square:</b> Trip Wire	<b>Manchester</b> <b>British Beer Company:</b> Brandy <b>City Sports Grille:</b> Ryan Brooks Kelley <b>Fratello’s:</b> Sev <b>The Jam Factory:</b> Abbie Morin, Captain Easychord, Adam Stewart, Armando Martins <b>Jokers:</b> Dave Bundza <b>Raxx Lounge:</b> DJ Mike <b>Shaskeen:</b> Lifted	<b>Nashua</b> <b>Killarney’s:</b> Coldstream <b>Studio 99:</b> Lenore Raphael
<b>Hampstead</b> <b>Pasta Loft:</b> Chris & Matt	<b>Nashua</b> <b>Fody’s:</b> Josh Logan Band <b>Old Amsterdam:</b> John & Dave Duo	<b>Dover</b> <b>Brick House:</b> Broggi Field,	<b>Hampton</b> <b>Ron’s Landing:</b> Sonic Boomers <b>Wally’s Pub:</b> Over 6		<b>Newmarket</b> <b>Stone Church:</b> The Phreaks, Mother Ton
<b>Laconia</b> <b>Pitman’s Freight Room:</b> Tom Robinson Quartet			<b>Hollis</b> <b>Alpine Grove:</b> Charlie Farren,		



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<b>Portsmouth</b> <b>Blue Mermaid:</b> Jon King Band <b>Dolphin Striker:</b> Amorphous Band <b>Gas Light Co.:</b> Brooks Hub-bard, Keith Henderson, DJ Koko P <b>Music Hall Loft:</b> Rory Block <b>Press Room:</b> Ellen Carlson with High Range & Guests <b>Ri Ra:</b> Coopers Escape <b>Rudi's:</b> Rob Gerry & John Funkhouser	<b>Concord</b> <b>Hermanos:</b> Tim Gurshin <b>Loudon Road Restaurant and Pit Road Lounge:</b> Wooden Nickels <b>Purple Pit:</b> Cheryl Aruda	<b>Hampstead</b> <b>Pasta Loft:</b> Jim Gray <b>Route 111 Village Square:</b> Natalie Turgeon
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## NITE MUSIC THIS WEEK

### Londonderry

**Coach Stop:** Jeff Mrozek  
**Stubble Inn:** Tom Dixon Band

### Manchester

**Boynton's Taproom:** Dueling  
Pianos  
**British Beer Co.:** The Drunken  
Uncles  
**Fratello's:** Lachlan Maclearn  
**The Jam Factory:** Adria, Ultra-  
sonic, BigBee of the Whitetree  
**Jokers:** Will Metivier  
**Raxx Lounge:** DJ Mike  
**Shaskeen:** Irish Session, Age  
Against the Machine  
**Stage Door:** Midnight Jump  
**Wild Rover:** Pop Farmers  
**The Yard:** Ryan Brooks Kelly

### Meredith

**Giuseppe's:** Joel Cage, Jam  
Sandwich

### Merrimack

**The Homestead:** Jeff Mrozek  
**Jade Dragon:** Done by 9

### Milford

**Clark's Tavern:** Brad Byrd  
**J's Tavern:** Napoleon in Rags  
**Pasta Loft:** Fatback

### Nashua

**Killarney's:** Acoustic Hot Tub  
**Old Amsterdam:** Chad Verbeek  
**Stella Blu:** Charlie Christos  
**Studio 99:** The Farewells, Dan  
Blakeslee

### Newmarket

**Stone Church:** Satellite Club  
Hotel, Frank Viele

### Plaistow

**Sad Café:** Threat Level Burgundy,  
Wasted Dilemma, Death by Bill

### Portsmouth

**Blue Mermaid:** Todo Bien  
**Dolphin Striker:** Yamicas  
Groove Train

**Gas Light Co.:** Tony Santesse,  
Matt Langley, DJ Koko P  
**Music Hall Loft:** Mike + Ruthy  
**Press Room:** Cormac McCarthy  
**Ri Ra:** Jen Thayer Band  
**Rudi's:** Duke & Guest

### Salem

**Black Water Grill:** Kevin Elliot  
**Jocelyn's Lounge:** Marc Fleury

### Sunapee

**One Mile West Tavern:** Chris Fitz

## WHICH ONE'S PINK?



With David Gilmour and Roger Waters largely having  
gone their separate ways, the next best thing will have to  
do. The Australian Pink Floyd Show creates an impeccably  
accurate Pink Floyd performance and will visit the Verizon  
Wireless Arena (555 Elm St., Manchester), Sunday, Nov.  
11, at 6:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$20.50 to \$39.50.

## NITE CONCERTS

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1111, [ccanh.com](http://ccanh.com)

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352-2033, [thecolonial.org](http://thecolonial.org)

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mouth, 436-2400, [themusichall.org](http://themusichall.org)

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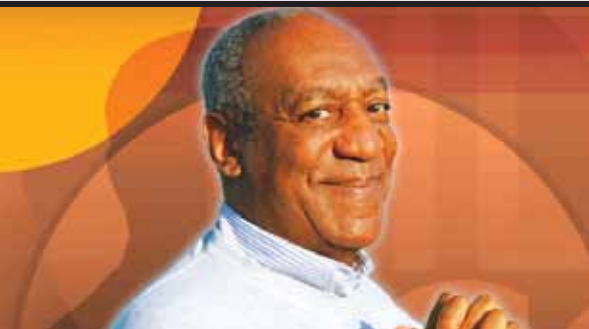
• **Arlo Guthrie** Thurs., Nov. 8,  
at 7:30 p.m., Flying Monkey  
• **Iris DeMent** Thurs., Nov. 8, at  
8 p.m., Tupelo  
• **Justin Townes Earle** Thurs.,  
Nov. 8, at 7:30 p.m., Music Hall  
• **Guy & Raina of "The Law-  
rence Welk Show"** Fri., Nov. 9,  
at 7 p.m., Cap Center  
• **Kashmir** Fri., Nov. 9, at 7:30  
p.m., Flying Monkey  
• **Rory Block** Fri., Nov. 9, at

7:30 & 9 p.m., Music Hall  
• **Chris Isaak** Sat., Nov. 10, at 8  
p.m., Casino Ballroom  
• **Howie Day** Sat., Nov. 10, at 8  
p.m., Tupelo  
• **King Michael** Sat., Nov. 10, at  
8 p.m., Rochester Opera House  
• **Mike and Ruthy** Sat., Nov. 10,  
at 8 p.m., Music Hall  
• **The Australian Pink Floyd  
Show** Sun., Nov. 11, at 6:30  
p.m., Verizon Wireless Arena

• **Nanci Griffith** Sun., Nov. 11,  
at 7:30 p.m., Flying Monkey  
• **John Michael Montgomery**  
Sun., Nov. 11 at 4:30 p.m., Whit-  
temore Center  
• **Blues Project** Thurs., Nov. 15,  
at 8 p.m., Tupelo  
• **Arlo Guthrie** Thurs., Nov. 15,  
at 7:30 p.m., Palace  
• **REO Speedwagon** Thurs.,  
Nov. 15, at 8 p.m., Lowell Audi-  
torium



## COSBY SHOW



With a career that began in the 1960s, Bill Cosby is more an American icon than stand-up comedian. The mega-star will visit the Music Hall Historic Theater (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth), Sunday, Nov. 11, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$80 to \$92. Call 436-2400 or visit [www.themusic-hall.org](http://www.themusic-hall.org).

## BLUEGRASS NIGHT



Two stalwarts of the genre will take the stage together for a night of bluegrass. An Evening with Sam Bush and Del McCoury is scheduled for the Stockbridge Theatre at Pinkerton Academy (5 Pinkerton St., Derry), Saturday, Nov. 17, at 7 p.m. Tickets range from \$25 to \$45. Call 437-5210 or visit [www.stockbridgetheatre.com](http://www.stockbridgetheatre.com).

com. Pictured: Sam Bush. Courtesy photo.

### Sunday, Nov. 11 Concord

Hermanos: State Street Combo

### Dover

Brick House: Jim Dozet Trio, Ecid Eyenine

### Hampton

Ron's Landing: Michael Troy

### Manchester

Shaskeen: The Spain Brothers

### Plaistow

Sad Café: Jake Sorgen, Josh Ketchen & The 1,000's, Alex

Limoli

### Portsmouth

Press Room: Chris Humphrey Sextet  
Ri Ra: Chris and Drew  
Rudi's: Jim Dozet & Rob Gerry

### Wednesday, Nov. 14 Concord

Hermanos: State Street Combo

### Manchester

Fratello's: Rob Wolfe

### Meredith

Giuseppe's: Lou Porrazzo

### Merrimack

The Homestead: Charlie Christos

### Nashua

Studio 99: Ukulele Club

### Portsmouth

Press Room: Matt McCabe Trio

### Tuesday, Nov. 13

#### Concord

Barley House: Traditional Irish Session  
Hermanos: Dan Walker

### Dover

Fury's: Tim Theriault & Friends

### Manchester

Fratello's: Brian Gray  
Raxx Lounge: DJ Mike

### Meredith

Giuseppe's: Michael Bourgeois

### Merrimack

The Homestead: Steve Sibulkin

### Portsmouth

Press Room: Larry Garland Jazz Jam

### Wednesday, Nov. 14

#### Concord

Hermanos: Jared Steer

### Dover

Barley Pub: Tan Vampires, Gnarlemagne  
Fury's: All We Are

### Manchester

Blu: Blu-Bop Trio  
Fratello's: MB Padfield  
Jokers: Kim Riley

### Meredith

Giuseppe's: Paul Warnick

### Merrimack

The Homestead: Brian Gray

### Milford

J's Tavern: Lisa Guyer  
Pasta Loft: Acoustic BS

### Nashua

Killarney's: Kieran McNally  
Old Amsterdam: John Paul

### Portsmouth

Press Room: Tom Yoder  
Rudi's: Dimitri

## COMEDY THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

### Friday, Nov. 9

#### Londonderry

Tupelo: Mike Donovan, Pat Napoli

### Saturday, Nov. 10

#### Concord

Cap Center: Bob Marley

### Plymouth

Flying Monkey: Ant

### Sunday, Nov. 11

#### Portsmouth

Music Hall: Bill Cosby

### Saturday, Nov. 17

#### Laconia

Pitman's Freight Room: Mark Scalia, Mitch Stinson

### Saturday, Dec. 1

#### Concord

Cap Center: Headliners Comedy Club with Jim Colliton, Jay Grove, Jody Sloane

### Friday, Dec. 7

#### Manchester

Boynton's Taproom: Eddie Brill, Dan Crohn, Lauren Verge

### Friday, Dec. 7

#### -Sunday, Dec. 9

Portsmouth West End Studio Theatre: Granite State Comedy Festival

### Friday, Dec. 14

#### Londonderry

Tupelo Music Hall: Jim Colliton and Larry Myles

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# SIGNS OF LIFE

All quotes are from *Neverwhere*, by Neil Gaiman, born Nov. 10, 1960.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23 – Nov. 21)** *She had been running for days now, a harum-scarum tumbling flight through passages and tunnels. Wear comfortable shoes.*

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22 – Dec. 21)** *She was hungry, and exhausted, and more tired than a body could stand, and each successive door was proving harder to open. Pack some energy bars.*

**Capricorn (Dec. 22 – Jan. 19)** *After four days of flight, she had found a hiding place, a tiny stone burrow, under the world, where she would be safe, or so she prayed, and at last she slept. Take shelter in your tiny burrow.*

**Aquarius (Jan. 20 – Feb. 18)** *Mr. Croup had hired Ross at the last Floating Market, which had been held in Westminster Abbey. "Think of him," he told Mr. Vandemar, "as a canary." Stay out of coal mines.*

**Pisces (Feb. 19 – March 20)** *...first, Mr. Vandemar is two and a half heads taller than Mr. Croup; second, Mr. Croup has eyes of a faded china blue, while Mr. Vandemar's eyes are brown. Pay attention to physical appearances that might be telling.*

**Aries (March 21 – April 19)** *... while Mr. Vandemar fashioned the rings he wears on his right hand out of the skulls of four ravens, Mr. Croup has no obvious jewelry. A little adornment could go a long way.*

**Taurus (April 20 – May 20)** *... Mr. Croup likes words, while Mr. Vandemar is always hungry. Also, they look nothing at all alike. Use your words when you*

are hungry, and never mind what anybody looks like.

**Gemini (May 21 – June 20)** *"Now, there's one rat that won't be telling any more tales," said Mr. Croup. He chuckled at his own joke. Mr. Vandemar did not respond. "Rat. Tales. Get it?" Standup comedy is probably not your thing this week.*

**Cancer (June 21 – July 22)** *Three years in London had not changed Richard, although it had changed the way he perceived the city. A lot can change in three years.*

**Leo (July 23 – Aug. 22)** *Richard had originally imagined London as a gray city, even a black city, from pictures he had seen, and he was surprised to find it filled with color. A splash of color won't go unnoticed.*  
**Virgo (Aug. 23 – Sept. 22)** *When he had first arrived, he had found London huge, odd, fundamentally incomprehensible, with only the Tube map, that elegant multicolored topographical display of underground railway lines and stations, giving it any semblance of order. Gradually he realized that the Tube map was a handy fiction that made life easier but bore no resemblance to the reality of the shape of the city above. If a fiction makes life easier, go ahead and use it.*

**Libra (Sept. 23 – Oct. 22)** *He continued, slowly, by a process of osmosis and white knowledge (which is like white noise, only more useful), to comprehend the city, a process that accelerated when he realized that the actual City of London itself was no bigger than a square mile.... You will be immersed in a bustling new world.*

## NITE SUDOKU

### Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. Last week's puzzle answers are below

#### 11/1

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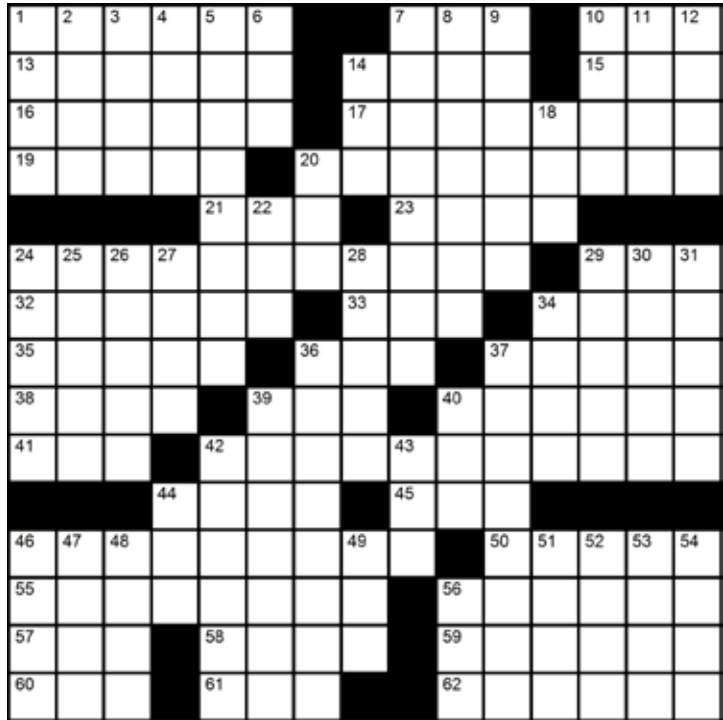
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# “Four Legs Good” — two legs bad!

**Across**

- 1 There's one at the beginning of each of this puzzle's four theme entries
- 7 Retail estab.
- 10 Holder and Reno, for short
- 13 "Nets to Catch the Wind" poet Wylie
- 14 Goneril's father
- 15 Sign for a packed theater
- 16 Getting gray
- 17 Ways out
- 19 Sketch show with Dollar Bill Montgomery
- 20 Bart Simpson word
- 21 Gothic novelist Radcliffe



- 23 1 of 18
- 24 Explorer with a peak named after him
- 29 C times C, divided by IV
- 32 Chef who says "Pork fat rules!"
- 33 Had some hash
- 34 Type of 1-across, in Mexico
- 35 Burn in the tub
- 36 Election Day day: abbr.
- 37 Leader of 1960s UK rockers The Pacemakers
- 38 Till compartment
- 39 \_\_\_ Harbour, Fla.
- 40 Shown past the foyer
- 41 "What is it?"
- 42 Native American group (and source of a Washington city that differs by one letter)
- 44 Yell on the links
- 45 Pop-up blockers block them
- 46 Drug abused by Rush Limbaugh and



- Courtney Love
- 50 Like growly stomachs
- 55 Removed from the actual action, as with a commentator
- 56 Where Cedric the Entertainer got a big break
- 57 \_\_\_ chi
- 58 Jimmy Eat World's "Drugs \_\_\_"
- 59 "I thought it'd never get here!"
- 60 Damascus's place: abbr.
- 61 Lofty poem
- 62 Notable feature of each 1-across


**Down**

- 1 Grin from ear to ear
- 2 First name in gymnastics
- 3 Strove for first
- 4 Monogram pt.
- 5 Illegitimate
- 6 Unit of energy
- 7 She played drums on "Seven Nation Army"
- 8 Venue for drunken singing
- 9 Preset on a stereo, maybe
- 10 Org.
- 11 Bryant Gumbel's brother
- 12 Player suspended in 2003 for using a corked bat
- 14 Zodiac sign for Ben Affleck or Roger Federer
- 18 Crime novelist Grafton
- 20 MSNBC rival
- 22 Lon \_\_\_ (palindromic coup leader)
- 24 Piquant
- 25 Pageant host
- 26 Lima and pinto

- 27 They may be stored in "Favorites"
- 28 Comic Poundstone
- 29 Nixon whose voice replaced Natalie Wood's in "West Side Story"
- 30 Golden Arches sandwich, sometimes
- 31 "Love Will Lead You Back" singer Taylor
- 34 Shift
- 36 Don't rush
- 37 Reaches, as a high point
- 39 One of the Seven Sisters
- 40 Lamentable
- 42 Drink once pitched by Yogi Berra
- 43 Beatnik interjection
- 44 Govt. arm mentioned by Eminem in "Without Me"
- 46 Muesli ingredients
- 47 Get an inside shot?
- 48 Giant slain by Odin, thus creating the Earth
- 49 Intense anger
- 51 \_\_\_ contendere
- 52 Rapper on the reality show "The Surreal Life," for short
- 53 Last word in ultimatums
- 54 Pixels, really
- 56 Tongue depressor sound

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## NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPHERD

### Disgraced but Not Contrite

Chutzpah! The former police chief of Bell, Calif., Randy Adams, had resigned in disgrace after prosecutors charged eight other city officials with looting the municipal budget. Adams had been recruited by the alleged miscreants (at a sweetheart salary twice what he made as police chief of much larger Glendale), and his resignation left him with a generous state pension of \$240,000 a year. Rather than quietly accept the payout, Adams immediately appealed to a state pension panel, claiming that his one inexplicably rich year in Bell had actually upped his pension to \$510,000 a year. In September, with a straight face, Adams pleaded his case to the panel, but 20 times during the questioning invoked his right not to incriminate himself.

### The Continuing Crisis

IRS agents, investigating tax-fraud suspect Rashia Wilson, 26, turned up “thousands” of identification numbers in a September home search in Tampa. Wilson had already laid down a challenge in May, when she wrote on Facebook: “I’m Rashia, the queen of IRS tax fraud. (I’m) a millionaire for the record. So if you think that indicting me will be easy, it won’t. I promise you. I won’t do no time, dumb (expletive unpublished).” The search also turned up a handgun, and since Wilson is a convicted felon (with 40 arrests), she was jailed, and denied bail in part because of the Facebook post.

### Bright Ideas

Way Too Many Apps: (1) The Swiss company Blacksocks offers an iPhone app that utilizes radio frequency identification chips inserted into socks so they can be automatically sorted. (2) The iPoo app, reported Wired magazine in November, “(1) ets you chat with your fellow defecators from the comfort of your own toilet.” (3) “In development” now, according to Harvard freshman Olenka Polak, is a “Code Red” app that creates an exchange network so that women and girls who find themselves unexpectedly spotting can locate an emergency source for a tampon or pad.

### Family Values

“Why You Little ...!” (1) A teenager, apparently fed up with his parents’ commandeering of their home’s basement for an elaborate marijuana-growing operation, turned the couple in in August. The Doylestown Township, Pa., couple (a chiropractor mom and software engineer dad) had sophisticated hardware and 18 plants. (2) Police in Athens, Ga., searching for Homer Parham, 51, at his house in September, came up empty, and his wife said he wasn’t there. But as officers were leaving,

the couple’s young daughter said, “Mommy locked Daddy in the closet.” Parham was found hiding in a high-up crawl space.

### First-World Problems

America now has about 700 pet “after-care” facilities, providing funeral services to the nation’s companion animals, according to a September NBC News report. Oakey’s, in Roanoke, Va., performs 800 to 900 pet cremations annually and provides about 20 customers a year with pet caskets, part of the estimated \$53 billion America spends on pets (higher than the Gross National Products of more than 100 countries). The basic charge of Heartland Pet Cremation of St Louis is \$275 for a private cremation, including a “basic” urn and memorial video slideshow. (For the more upscale, other facilities offer deluxe urns, taxidermy, freeze-drying pets and creating a synthetic diamond out of pet ashes.)

### People Different From Us

Gareth Lloyd, 49, admitted that he is the one who made about 5,800 random phone calls (over a 90-day period -- averaging 64 a day!) to people just to listen to their reactions when he told them that his penis was stuck in a household object (usually jars or a vacuum cleaner). A Flintshire, Wales, court sentenced Lloyd only to probation (with restrictions on telephone use).

### Least Competent Criminals

Latest Negative-Cash-Flow Robbery: Two men robbing an Open Pantry store in Madison, Wis., in October escaped, but with less money than they came with. The lead thief grabbed a handful of cash that

the clerk had been counting when the pair entered. The clerk pleaded, then sternly demanded that the man give back the money. The thief thought for a moment, became remorseful, threw all the money in his pocket to the floor, and fled. The clerk told police that when she re-counted the money, there was \$1 more than in her original count, meaning that the thief had accidentally tossed in a dollar of his own.

### Readers’ Choice

(1) The Red Flower Chinese Restaurant in Williamsburg, Ky., was shut down by health authorities in September after a customer said he witnessed a roadkill deer carcass being wheeled through the dining room into the kitchen. The chief Whitley County health inspector said the owners did not appear to understand that they should not do that. (2) Edward Archbold, 32, died in October following his victory at the bug-eating contest sponsored by the Ben Siegel Reptile Store in Deerfield Beach, Fla. Archbold (described by friends as a “life of the party” type) had stuffed handfuls of insects into his mouth (which people do harmlessly around the world in various cultures), but collapsed a short time later.

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